#### August 17, 2001

Captain Edwin C. White, Jr. Chairman Mergers & Acquisitions Committee Allied Pilots Association 14600 Trinity Boulevard, Suite 500 Fort Worth, TX 76155-2512

#### Dear Ed:

This is in response to your letter of July 18, 2001, in which you comment on our Committee's proposal dated June 14, 2001. The June 14<sup>th</sup> proposal was characterized as the "Rightful Place Proposal" because it employs an empirical method based on actual jobs to arrive at an equitable integration of the AA and TWA System Seniority Lists. That method is far superior to what pilot groups have done in the past, that is, attempt to correlate conflicting, often irrelevant financial and operating data about their respective carriers in an effort to determine seniority list placement. Such imprecise tools have worked poorly in earlier integrations.

The difficulty with earlier approaches is that their criteria for ordering seniority lists cannot be reliably translated into seniority placements. Realistically, "differences based on the nature of the carriers' pre-transaction operations [or] pre-transaction pay, benefits and working conditions" of the pilot groups are useless in assigning seniority numbers to individual pilots. Similarly, the nature of the corporate transaction giving rise to operational integration tells us very little about seniority list placement. Under American Airlines' approach to integration in this transaction, it is undeniable that an **operational merger** meeting all legal, contractual and internal union policy definitions of "merger" will occur. It is the fact of **operational merger**, not a characterization of the underlying corporate transaction, that is important for pilots. The imprecision of these and other factors mentioned in your letter is why they should not weigh heavily in seniority integration proceedings.

Our proposal quantifies the actual pre-transaction career expectations of AA and TWA pilots in order to effect an integration that preserves those expectations and avoids injuring either pilot group. Your assertion that our proposal does not take into account pre-transaction career expectations is plainly incorrect; those expectations provide the quantifiable, reliable criteria upon which our proposal is built. You are correct, however, in observing that our proposal does not attempt the impossible, that is, to translate financial and operational irrelevancies into seniority placements. We take that as a compliment, not a criticism.

My disagreement with your many complaints about our proposal will be detailed below. Although we welcome debate in the interest of reaching a fair seniority integration agreement, we are frankly disappointed by your mistaken insistence that our proposal damages the career expectations of AA pilots. That view is contrary to all reliable evidence available to us. We reiterate that no AA pilot's career progression – measured against his or her actual pre-merger expectations – will be adversely affected by the integrated list we propose. To the contrary, many AA pilots will be advance more quickly under our proposal than otherwise.

#### **Actual Career Expectations**

Your attempt to differentiate between career "goals" and career "expectations" strikes us as quibbling. To say, for example, that the career expectation of a B767 pilot is to fly a smaller piece of equipment based on his carrier's lessened financial prospect at one moment in time, is illogical and rejects airline industry experience. Nearly all air carrier transactions occur because one partner has suffered a financial reverse. In the pre-ADA regulated environment, the "failing carrier" doctrine was virtually the only basis upon which a merger of air carriers would be approved. Even after the regulatory environment changed in 1978, air carrier transactions leading to integrated operations rarely, if ever, occurred between carriers of equal financial strength. Yet no one has seriously contended that the equipment flown by pilots of the acquired carrier should not be used in defining their career expectations.

TWA pilots favored the proposal put forward by American Airlines over all competing proposals in the bankruptcy proceeding. But our enthusiasm for AA should not be taken as an acknowledgment that we had no pre-transaction career expectations. Nor is it accurate for you to argue that "TWA had no realistic options other than the transaction with American to remain in business." After exhaustive analysis, AA's management recognized that TWA was a well-run airline, whose revenue potential was limited by the Karubu Ticketing Agreement, and whose costs were bloated by costly aircraft leases. Elimination of those impediments enabled AA to realize the full value of TWA. To say that TWA's value is maximized by incorporation into a larger system does not mean that its value was unique to American. TWA's value was such as to be equally appealing to other major carriers. Our pre-transaction career expectations reflected that value.

Moreover, as the experience of the Continental pilots shows, the financial prospects of employing carriers often change due to managerial changes, transactions with other carriers, and even successful bankruptcy reorganizations. We suggest that basing career expectations on a snapshot taken at one moment in time represents an extraordinarily cramped view of this most important consideration in seniority list integration. The equipment flown before the transaction by the merging pilot groups is a far more accurate indicator from which to gauge their respective career expectations than a financial snapshot. The cute K-Mart/Saks metaphor you employ, even if K-Mart's

strong balance sheet had not confused it, cannot overcome the logic of grouping pilots by equipment and status to construct seniority ranges.

#### TWA's Contributions to the Transaction

Although financial data contributes little to an understanding of the pilots' premerger career expectations, the contribution made by TWA to this transaction is a fair subject of inquiry. At the time of the acquisition TWA was the nation's eighth largest carrier, with 4.3 percent of the United States market. Based on its market share, TWA was about one-quarter of AA's size (Washington Post, February 3, 2001, p. E-1). The TWA acquisition enabled American, which had trailed United in size and was barely ahead of Delta, to move solidly into first place with over 23 percent of the U.S. market. Id.

As to the value of TWA assets, while AA's pilots apparently would not have bought TWA, AA management, which you characterize as providing skillful leadership, clearly thought otherwise, agreeing with the consensus judgment of the financial and management community on this issue. Business Week (January 22, 2001, p. 34), for example, noted that at an acquisition price of \$5 billion (\$700 million more than actually paid), "the acquisition looks like a bargain." The article also paraphrases Thomas I. Barkin, co-head of McKinsey & Co.'s airline practice: "positioning for the day of global consolidation among airlines may prove to be smart for American." TWA offered AA a very quick response to opportunities created by expanded route networks, especially since American and TWA overlap on only 4 percent of their passenger miles. It was presumably for this reason that, as AA Vice President (Captain Robert Kudwa) said in his Hotline Message of April 13, 2001, AA intends to maintain "ALL the capacity that TWA produces."

The TWA acquisition immediately added 19.9 percent to AA's gross revenue and 23.4 percent to AA's capacity (ASMs) based on year 2000 SEC data. An increase in capacity, of course, directly leads to more flights, employees and aircraft. Considering AA's internal growth forecast of 3 percent, the TWA transaction immediately adds seven times AA's expected growth in both revenue and ASMs. The 173 aircraft acquired from TWA enlarged AA's fleet by 27 percent. Additionally, AA acquired 138 TWA gates at nine airports and 190 slots at four key airports (JFK, LGA, DCA, ORD). With St. Louis, which AA's CEO described as the "crown jewel" of the transaction, AA also acquired a third mid-continent hub. The systemic growth enabled by the TWA acquisition may be the biggest gain for AA. Quoting an estimate by airline analyst Sal Colak, CIBC World Markets, the May 2001 issue of *CFO Magazine* stated: "once TWA is fully integrated, that part of American will grow at around 10 percent or 12 percent over three to five years – largely because of American's better credit rating and financial expertise."

Your letter attempts to minimize these contributions by presuming that any swap of existing assets for replacements will result in the loss of TWA jobs. That presumption is inaccurate. Certain B767-300 aircraft that are not compatible with AA's fleet will be replaced by as many as 15 new B767s ordered by AA after the transaction was finalized.

But the jobs brought to the transaction by the TWA pilot group are not thereby reduced because the new aircraft are destined for TWA markets. As Captain Kudwa told your pilot group on April 13<sup>th</sup>, AA plans to retain or replace all of TWA's aircraft. We recognize that the DC-9 aircraft acquired from TWA will be retired; yet the markets served by those aircraft will be serviced in the short-run by rerouting AA aircraft. Further, the orders for 15 B717-200 aircraft assumed by AA will offset the disposition of DC-9 aircraft. Those additional B717 aircraft are scheduled to enter service later this year. Thus, the flying brought to AA by the TWA acquisition will be preserved for the consolidated pilot group.

#### Lack of Injurious Windfalls

Your July 18<sup>th</sup> letter reflects a basic philosophical difference between our Committees that must be confronted if we are to reach agreement over how our system seniority lists are to be integrated. In our view, pilots and other employee groups are entitled to whatever windfalls they can obtain as a result of a transaction between airlines, so long as their advantages do not come at the expense of other employees. There is no apparent reason why the benefits of air carrier transactions should be confined to management and the shareholders. Here, TWA pilots will obtain pay and certain benefit improvements when the Greenbook becomes applicable to them, while AA pilots already have gained important job protections in the Transition Agreement and for many the pace of their career advancement will quicken after operational integration. These advances are "windfalls," in the sense that they are attributable to the transaction, but they are also desirable and appropriate to the extent they do not injure either pilot group.

Our June 14<sup>th</sup> proposal was carefully designed to avoid injurious windfalls. Special care was exercised to assure that, in integrating TWA pilots, the pre-transaction expectations of AA pilots were not harmed. No benefit of the transaction gained by a TWA pilot comes at the expense of an AA pilot. Your Committee apparently has a different view of the windfall issue – one holding that any gain made by the TWA pilots should in fairness be offset by their suffering elsewhere. We hope that we are mistaken because that view is seriously flawed. There is no good reason in logic or experience why, for example, pay increases should negatively affect seniority placement. Under the injurious windfall doctrine, a pay increase not coming at the expense of other pilots cannot justify hurtful actions, which do come at the expense of other pilots. We do not object to windfalls benefiting the AA pilot group, so long as they do not harm our group, and ask that you do the same.

We also take issue with your contention that our proposal must somehow take into account speculation about what AA will or will not do with the assets it acquired from TWA as it rationalizes its network upon operational integration. As noted, AA's management has repeatedly stated that it intends to retain or replace all of TWA's aircraft and maintain its capacity in order to achieve the growth in network mass and city power that, in part, motivated AA to acquire those assets in the first place. This being so, it is equally possible that the "rationalization" you speak of could come on the AA side, especially given the older average age of the AA fleet. We say this, not to be

provocative, but to illustrate that speculation about management's intentions is an unreliable basis for ordering seniority lists.

In this connection, we note that APA and AA continue to dispute the effects of the Reno transaction on AA pilots. APA insists that all Reno equipment was disposed of and lost to the consolidated pilot group, while AA claims to have replaced every Reno aircraft with new B737 or B757 equipment, which had not been previously on order, and to have expanded West Coast flying beyond what AA and Reno had flown separately prior to the transaction. Overall, AA claims, the Reno transaction benefited AA and its pilot group. Because the current transaction is much different than Reno, it is unnecessary for us to enter into the debate between you and AA's management. The only reason for mentioning it is to underscore our objection to basing seniority integration decisions on factors as nebulous as anticipated "future network rationalization."

In short, the "Rightful Place Proposal" preserves the pre-transaction career expectations of both pilot groups and avoids injurious windfalls. We are not quite sure what to make of your suggestion that all First Officer positions at TWA are comparable to new hire positions at AA. After all, one-half of your pilot group consists of First Officers. Although we have not calculated the mean or median seniority of AA First Officers, it is quite clear that relatively few are new hires. That fact alone indicates the fallacy of your statement. We assume that the revealed preferences of AA pilots will show that some F/O positions are more desirable than others. The fact that some SWB F/O positions are held by very junior AA pilots illustrates nothing more than that. It certainly does not show, as you claim, that the F/O "jobs contributed to the consolidated operation by the TWA assets are substantially new-hire jobs."

#### Response to APA's Technical/Conceptual Criticisms

- 1. Impact of Aircraft Orders. Aircraft on order at the time of the transaction through December 31, 2002 were credited to the American pilots in constructing the seniority ranges and performing the integration described in the June 14<sup>th</sup> proposal. The date was selected from SEC filings made the Company, which constituted the only reliable evidence of firm orders available to us. As indicated, we are unwilling to make seniority decisions on the basis of speculation and uncertain data. If the orders for aircraft scheduled for delivery in 2003 and 2004 are sufficiently reliable to warrant their inclusion, we will be pleased to take them into account.
- 2. Extension of Seniority Ranges Due to Aircraft Orders. The staffing implied by the additional aircraft on order appropriately extends each affected seniority range only by the number of jobs to be added. Seniority ranges are constructed by equipment and status on the basis of the revealed preferences disclosed by the bidding patterns of AA pilots. When new equipment is added, there is no basis for assuming that all of it will be flown in undesirable bid packages. This being so, pilots already within the seniority range who previously bid smaller equipment for quality of life reasons are likely to bid the desirable jobs created by the new larger equipment. Put another way, the addition of new equipment is far more likely to fill in the applicable seniority range than to spread it

out further. That plainly was the experience of your pilot group in both large wide-body and small wide-body positions during the period January 1 through August 15, 2001. Moreover, it appears that the large wide-body range will compact still further when additional simulator slots become available, and the Company-imposed restriction on bidding large wide-body positions by age 58 pilots is removed

- 3. The A-300 Is A Small Wide-Body Aircraft. The classification of the A-300 in the small wide-body range with the B767 is appropriate. Though configured for a slightly larger passenger load, at approximately 381,000 lbs., the A-300 is lighter than the B767 and has a shorter range. As you know, AA will soon re-deploy its A-300 equipment from Transatlantic service to shorter Caribbean routes for which it is better suited. New B767 aircraft will be used for the Transatlantic routes. Moreover, the A-300 and B767 equipment types are treated almost the same by the Greenbook. We believe that the integration issues raised in your July 18<sup>th</sup> letter are more appropriately considered in the context of conditions and restrictions than by misclassifying aircraft.
- 4. Ending Seniority Ranges At the 95<sup>th</sup> Percentile Is Warranted. As noted, seniority ranges are constructed on the basis of the revealed preferences of AA pilots. To say that an AA pilot bid a smaller, less remunerative piece of equipment because he had a wide selection of less remunerative bid choices outside the seniority range does not detract from the fact that he found his bid choices within the seniority range less desirable. The question is where to set the lower boundary of the seniority range. Our Merger Counsel did not address this issue in his videotaped remarks. Taking his accurate statement out of context does not aid your cause.

Filling the seniority ranges with many pilots who, on the basis of equipment flown, do not belong in them would seriously diminish the accuracy of the promotional expectancy integration method. Your complaint that hundreds and perhaps thousands of pilots not flying the equipment types upon which the seniority ranges are constructed were omitted from the ranges attests to the appropriateness of using the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile as the lower boundary of each seniority range.

- 5. Job Comparability Complaint. Your complaint that the jobs of AA and TWA pilots flying the same equipment were not truly comparable is irrelevant. First, viewed in the context of what the TWA pilots bring to American, the jobs are identical because they will become AA jobs and ultimately available to both pilot groups commencing with operational integration. Second, the Rightful Place Proposal does not treat TWA jobs as the exact equivalent of AA jobs. This is apparent from the construction of the small wide-body seniority range, in which the first TWA pilot appears at the 45<sup>th</sup> percentile of small wide-body pilots. In short, the concern you express is met by the fact that the seniority ranges are weighted in favor of AA pilots. This concession was bitterly opposed by many in our pilot group. We are distressed that you have ignored it.
- 6. Extension of the Captain Expectancy Methodology to Future Promotions. The accuracy of any economic method deteriorates when extended too far into the future. No one can foretell the future. That is why we hesitate to agree with your assumption that

AA pilots will be injured because our proposal does not take into account your pilot group's retirements in 2016-2025. Many factors, including accelerated early retirements, growth, additional transactions, regulatory change and productivity increases, to name just a few, could dramatically change the promotional expectations of all pilots on AA's system over a twenty-five year horizon. This is why arbitrators and courts routinely dismiss such projections as speculation. Nonetheless, in the interest of cooperation, we are considering whether the Rightful Place methodology can be extended to capture the effect of promotions beyond the next seniority range.

- 7. Are Desirable First Officer Ranges Feasible? Large wide-body First Officers are primarily grouped with Captains by our proposal. Thus, we do not believe that the absence of wide-body First Officer ranges from our proposal truly represents a flaw. Some wide-body First Officers fall below the Captains' ranges; you have expressed concern about that residual group. Although we are dubious, we will consider whether inclusion of another seniority range is warranted.
- 8. Should Captains Be Grouped With Captains? Your complaint that our proposal groups TWA's small wide-body Captains (commencing at the 45<sup>th</sup> percentile) together with AA's small wide-body Captains instead of in some inferior position, is simply unjustified. The concern you express is not a fair criticism of the seniority integration methodology. And, to the extent it is based on the patently false assumption that all 11,389 AA pilots (1-01 List) had the pre-transaction expectation of advancing to some 277 B777 positions, your concern is wildly overstated. The issue you raise should be dealt with by a suitable restriction, not by grouping our small wide-body Captains within another seniority range. We have offered a restriction to reflect the fact that TWA pilots did not have an expectation of B777 flying before the transaction. We suggest that you offer a counter-proposal.
- 9. Narrow-Body Captain Seniority Integration. The reason why TWA narrow-body Captains are not distributed evenly throughout the NB seniority range is that they had an earlier pre-transaction expectation of reaching Captain than did the AA pilots appearing lower within the seniority range. Your complaint that our proposal effectively splits the narrow-body Captain range into two ranges would apply to any seniority integration method other than a 1:6 ratio. You do not explain why application of a ratio would be any fairer or more equitable than the method we propose. Frankly, we are skeptical that any other reasonable method will produce fairer results. After all, every one of the AA pilots in what you describe as the "lower NB seniority range" advances to the SWB seniority range more quickly (typically well in excess of 100 days) than he would have before the transaction.
- 10. Fences. We have proposed a hard, ten-year fence during which TWA pilots will not be able to bid on B777 aircraft to be replaced by a porous fence in which the number of a TWA pilots advancing to B777 positions will be subject to a 17 percent ceiling. The fence would not fall until every AA pilot with a seniority date earlier than March 12, 2001 is able to bid a B777 captaincy. With the possible exception of those in Northwest/Republic, no fence designed to protect wide-body flying has lasted longer than

the one we propose. We are prepared to discuss additional fences for the A-300 and the other aircraft you identify, even though some of the latter equipment types will soon be retired.

- 11. Captain Guarantees. Our proposal for 355 wide-body and 809 narrow-body captaincies was designed to address your Committee's concern that TWA pilots would "flood" the Captains' ranges and occupy positions far in excess of what was acquired from TWA. Our proposal was meant to institute ceilings on TWA captaincies within the applicable ranges. Admittedly, the issue became somewhat confused as a result of the discussion over what you term "sustainable captaincies, and the number of captaincies in our proposal was described as being both a ceiling and a floor. The issue of Captain guarantees remains open; however, our proposal is for a condition limiting the number of wide-body and narrow-body captaincies.
- 12. International Flying. We have proposed to preserve a fair share of the international flying brought to the transaction by TWA. As many airline analysts have noted, TWA's international routes constitute a vitally important addition to American's network. All of that flying should not be captured by the AA pilots. The notion that the international flying we bring to the transaction will be rationalized away after the operational merger is fanciful. Nor do we consider the restrictions on our international flying imposed by the Transition Agreement to constitute operational "rationalization." The lifestyle benefit transfer you speak of in your July 18<sup>th</sup> letter endangers TWA pilots, not AA pilots.
- 13. Displacements. Our proposal to displace pilots from common bid statuses in a ratio of TWA to AA pilots is designed to share the "pain" as well as the "gain." A displacement from a common domicile after operational integration has absolutely nothing to do with "breathing life back into TWA" and everything to do with whether pilot domiciles on the post-transaction carrier expand or contract. True, after operational integration, some rationalization of the AA network could occur. That rationalization could affect the pre-transaction AA system instead of the pre-transaction TWA system, assuming any such distinction can be drawn, in which case our proposal would favor AA pilots. There is nothing unfair about proportionate displacements. Certainly, the rationalization American underwent in the early 1990s does not justify treating the TWA pilots as "displacement fodder," while the American pilots enjoy all the benefits of a transaction concluded nearly ten years later.
- 14. Date of Hire Limitation Objections. The TWA Merger Committee limited the promotional expectancy methodology of its June 14<sup>th</sup> proposal in one particular. That is, TWA pilots having a faster promotional expectancy but less total longevity than AA pilots with earlier American hire dates, were slotted behind the AA pilots on the proposed seniority list. We find it remarkable that a limitation imposed for the exclusive benefit of AA pilots should be objectionable to your Committee simply because it is phrased in date of hire terms. The suggestion that we should be less generous to TWA pilots who are subject to the DOH limitation is little different from contending that we should ignore their promotional expectancies altogether.

In conclusion, we do not believe that the criticisms of the Rightful Place Proposal made by your Committee warrant substantial change in its methodology or the seniority list produced using that methodology. Our proposal is decidedly superior to the last proposal made by your Committee under which two-thirds of our pilot group, including many Captains, would be stapled to the bottom of the consolidated seniority list, while the top one-third is to be distributed on a 1:5 ratio among AA First Officers and very junior narrow-body Captains.

We look forward to resuming negotiations on August 20, 2001.

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TWA-MEC Merger Committee

## AA/TWA PILOT

### SENIORITY INTEGRATION:

## SUMMARY OF SUPPLEMENT CC [TO AA/APA BASIC AGREEMENT]

From
APA's Mergers & Acquisitions Committee

**December 14, 2001** 

**ALPA 008746** 

- A fair integration should preserve the career expectations of the members of each pilot group — the <u>pre-transaction</u> expectations at the time the transaction was entered into.
- A fair integration should avoid "injurious windfalls" windfalls to one pilot group at the other's expense.

It is important to understand that the pilots' expectations are measured pre-transaction. What were the pilots' expectations immediately prior to the transaction, and what would their career paths have been if the transaction had not happened and the separate carriers had continued to exist into the future? That means that events after the transaction are of secondary importance in measuring fairness, because the important question is what each group "brought to the party" at the time of the transaction. This is a two-way street. It means that the TWA pilots cannot claim to have expected the improved pay, work rules, retirement and job security that they have gained from the transaction. It also means that, to some extent, we have to treat the TWA pilots as if TWA would have continued in operation, since the AA pilots cannot claim that they expected to have the benefit of added aircraft, jobs, and advancement opportunities that, in fact, belonged to TWA prior to the transaction. Similarly, a focus on pre-transaction expectations means that the fairness of the seniority integration is measured without the impact of the unexpected events of the past few months. Such events have impacted both groups, and are presumed to be temporary in any case. The integrated seniority list will be in place permanently, and therefore should reflect long-term trends and prospects.

• Both Committees stated that seniority integration should be based on a methodology to analyze the fairness of the result.

Again, although we disagreed on some of the details, the two Committees followed a common approach to analyzing each other's proposals, based on a "career path" analysis — identifying important milestones in a pilot's career path such as initial Captain upgrade, upgrade to small wide-body Captain and (for the AA pilots) upgrade to large wide-body Captain. By comparing a pilot's career path absent the transaction and under an integrated list, it is possible to quantify and analyze how a pilot's pre-transaction career progression is affected by the integration.

## III. <u>THE TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTING AN INTEGRATED</u> LIST

Throughout this process, many pilots have asked why the M&A Committee has not arrived at a solution and implemented it immediately. Aside from the complexity of the process described above,

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AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC.
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THE AIR LINE PILOTS
in the service of

AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC.
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ALLIED PILOTS ASSOCIATION

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SECTION 13

SENIORITY

#### A. Service with Company

Seniority as a pilot shall be based upon the length of service as a flight deck operating crew member with the Company except as otherwise provided in Sections 11 and 12 of this Agreement.

#### B. Seniority Date

Seniority shall begin to accrue from the date a pilot is first assigned to air line flying duty and shall continue to accrue during such period of duty except as provided in Sections 11 and 12 of this Agreement.

#### C. Retention of Seniority

A pilot once having established seniority shall not lose such seniority except as provided in this Section, nor shall his relative position on the Pilots' System Seniority List be changed, except as provided in paragraph B. of this Section.

#### D. Basic Seniority Rule

Seniority shall govern all pilots in case of promotion, demotion, their retention in case of reduction in force, their recall from furlough, their assignment or reassignment due to expansion or reduction in force or schedules, and their choice of vacancies, provided that the pilot is sufficiently qualified for the conduct of the operation to which he is to be assigned, and provided further that the awarding of all third crew member flying assignments and base vacancies shall be subject to the terms of the Tripartite Agreement between American Airlines, Inc., the Allied Pilots Association and the AAL Chapter, Flight Engineers' International Association, effective December 11, 1964. In the event a pilot is considered not to be sufficiently qualified, the Company shall promptly furnish such pilot written reasons therefor. This paragraph shall apply, provided that certain other rules in this Agreement stipulating specific methods and procedures of applying system seniority shall govern such application of system seniority only to the extent of the specific provisions of such rules.

#### E. Failure to Qualify in Turn

When a junior pilot is promoted over a senior pilot, by reason of the failure of the latter to qualify in his turn, the senior pilot shall continue to retain his position on the Pilots' System Seniority List.

#### F. Loss of Seniority

#### 1. Resignations, Discharges

A pilot who resigns from the service of the Company, or is discharged for just cause, shall forfeit all seniority as a pilot.

#### Failure to Return from Furlough

When a pilot who has been furloughed is offered, by written notice from the Company, the opportunity to return to duty as a pilot and such pilot elects, by written statement to the Company, not to return to such duty, or if a recalled pilot fails to comply with the requirements of Section 17.W. of this Agreement, his seniority right of preference in reemployment shall at that time terminate, and all his seniority as a pilot shall be forfeited.

#### 3. Duration of Re-employment Preference

At the end of ten (10) years from the date of furlough, a pilot who has not been re-employed by the Company shall forfeit all his seniority and shall not be entitled to preference in re-employment.

#### 4. Retention of Company Benefits

Upon return from furlough, a pilot shall receive all Company benefits accruing by reason of his previous active service.

#### G. System Seniority List

#### Seniority List Supplied by Company

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The Company shall provide each pilot, within thirty (30) days after July 1st of each year, a Pilots' System Seniority List, effective July 1, which contains the names of all pilots arranged in the order of system seniority, whether active or inactive, and the seniority date of each pilot. Such list shall also reflect each pilot's normal retirement date.

#### 2. Protests

- a. A pilot shall be permitted a period of thirty (30) days after any posting of the Pilots' System Seniority List, each year, in which to protest to the Company any omission or incorrect posting affecting his seniority.
- b. A pilot on leave or away from his base station at the time of posting of the list shall have a period of thirty (30) days from the date of his return to his base station during which to file such protest.
- c. Any incorrect posting or any other discrepancy which went unprotested on the annual list in which it first appeared shall not be protested on any subsequent annual posting except that typographical and clerical errors may be corrected at any time.

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- Q. And did that affect how the APA approached the seniority integration process?
- A. Yes.

Q. In what way?

A. I believe -- you know, we had to look at it in different aspects, is -- one was the captain positions themselves, and the other was, when you look at fair and equitable, how the integration worked. When you look at it from just a standpoint of the contracts, ours was a much richer contract.

If I recall, I remember the number \$138 an hour, off of memory. I think that was about a 767 captain pay rate at TWA, and about 125 for a captain on a narrow body. In contrast, we were about 182 for a narrow-body captain, and I want to say about 204 for a 767, somewhere in there. So we're looking about a 50, \$60,000 a year pay raise, just right off the bat for a TWA pilot captain to come across. And obviously, the co-pilot would have, percentage wise, the same type of increases.

So when you looked at our pay rates on a narrow-body FO, and I have to do the math here, we were probably about 126 bucks an hour for a Super 80 FO where they were 125, \$126 for a captain. So when you look at the context of the contracts, our contract was much

A plan is not market risk, which is a much richer plan. That was the pension piece.

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Quality of life, our quality of life was one of the best contracts out there at the time. We had a 78-hour hard limit, which we had just until we were abrogated a couple of months ago, where I believe TWA could fly their pilots to FARs, which means more days on the road. So a typical pilot, a bid sheet at American Airlines, you can only work 15 days a month. For TWA it was a lot more than that. Quality of life was a lot better.

Then you looked at our scope protections and our protection in our scope agreement, we were much tighter, which basically had job protections in them. And on the benefits, I think our benefits overall were probably a little bit better, but I couldn't speak to those.

- Q. And did APA's views about job security at the two airlines factor into its views on what an appropriate seniority integration was here?
- A. Security in a broader context of expectations or, you know, what we saw. If you looked at -- you took TWA in isolation and said, all right, a pilot over there, what was their future? It was much different than a pilot would look at his future at American

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richer. That was one part of the equation.

The other part of the equation was expectations of obtaining those aircrafts because of the size of the fleet, orders we had on the books, future progression, you had to put that all together to determine what was fair and equitable. So that was one piece of the puzzle that we looked at, yes.

- Q. And when you talk about the APA contract with American Airlines being much richer, other than the -- the hourly rate components that you discussed, were there other ways in which the APA considered its contract to be richer than the TWA contract?
- A. Yeah. Essentially, if you look at a contract, there's five parts of it. There's scope, there's pay, there's pension, there's benefits and there's scheduling. Scheduling we -- we call quality of life, essentially, as a pilot. Our pay was significantly better.

Our pension plan, TWA had terminated their A plan in the early '90s, I believe. They had a DAT plan at that point. I think it was 14.3 percent, which was a little richer than our B plan, but they had no follow-on A plan. We had an A plan at the time and 11 percent B -- B plan. So essentially they were trading a 3.3 percent contribution for an A plan, which

1 Airlines, in stand-alone units, in many respects.

The financial condition of the airline, the future growth opportunities, the aircraft on order, you just look at the time. We were exploding in the airline industry. We were hiring 100 pilots a month at American Airlines. We had never seen that before. Contracting out our training, etc. And at that point in time, you know, the expectations of upgrades were just like we've never seen before.

So when you contrasted that, what was going on on the American Airlines property to what was going on on the TWA property, I believe they were hiring, but it was essentially more for attrition than growth, if you will, then you just look at the condition. We looked at all of that and took it into account.

(Exhibit No. 9 was marked.)

- Q. (BY MR. TOAL) I'm going to show you a document that I will mark as Darrah Exhibit 9, which is a March 6th, 2001 letter from Roland Wilder to Wesley Kennedy. If you'll let me know if this is a document that you saw at or around the time it was sent.
- A. Wilder to Kennedy. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So this is a -- it's a draft memorandum of agreement. Do you see that?

Page 45 Page 47 1 1 A. Okay. A. Yes, sir. 2 Q. And do you know who Roland Wilder is? 2 Q. Do you want it read back? A. Please. 3 A. I believe he was the legal representation for 3 MR. TOAL: Can you read back the question? 4 the ALPA group at the time for seniority issues. 4 Q. Okay. And who is Wesley Kennedy? 5 (Requested Portion was Read.) 5 A. He was our representative for APA for seniority 6 Q. (BY MR. TOAL) To agree to binding arbitration 6 7 integration issues. 7 of the seniority integration process? 8 8 Q. Okay. Do you see in the third paragraph of A. No, I cannot. this proposed memorandum of agreement, Mr. Wilder is 9 9 (Exhibit No. 10 was marked.) proposing binding arbitration if there's no agreement 10 Q. (BY MR. TOAL) Let me show you a document that 10 reached after 30 days of mediation concerning seniority 11 I will mark as Darrah Exhibit 10. It's a March 13th, 11 12 integration? 12 2001 letter from Wesley Kennedy to Roland Wilder, and A. Yes, sir. 13 13 it's copied to you, among others. 14 Q. Was the APA amenable to binding arbitration in 14 A. What was the date on the previous -- so this the event that -- that the APA and the TWA MEC were 15 isn't in chronological order, correct? 15 16 unable to reach an agreement on seniority integration? 16 Q. That's right. So the previous memorandum of 17 A. No, sir, absolutely not. 17 agreement we looked at was dated March 6th, 2001. 18 Q. Why not? 18 A. 6th. Okay. 19 A. They would never agree to arbitration on the 19 Q. So this is a week later. 20 seniority list. 20 Is this a document you received at or Q. The APA would never? 21 around the time it was sent? 21 22 22 A. Nope. A. Yes. sir. 23 Q. Why? 23 Q. Is this a document that you reviewed before it A. Because we own the seniority list --24 was sent out? 24 25 25 THE REPORTER: I can't hear. A. Yes, sir. Page 46 Page 48 1 Q. And do you -- did you approve its contents? 1 THE WITNESS: Because we own the seniority 2 A. Yes, sir. 2 list according to our contract. 3 Q. (BY MR. TOAL) What do you mean by that, that 3 Q. And what was the purpose of this letter? 4 you own the seniority list? 4 A. The purpose of the letter was to respond to Mr. Wilder's letter of the date of March 6th, I believe, 5 A. The contract is ours by definition, the 5 seniority list by definition of our Green Book, and that 6 you just quoted. 6 was even acknowledged by Mr. Carty. In a meeting with 7 Q. And did this letter accurately state the APA's 7 8 Mr. Carty, we had discussions on that, and his statement 8 view regarding whether they agreed to binding 9 was the seniority list integration is your 9 arbitration of seniority arbi- -- seniority integration? 10 responsibility, you own it. And American Airlines 10 A. Yes, sir. 11 acknowledged that. 11 Q. If ALPA had threatened a lawsuit to seek an 12 injunction of the TWA acquisition, would that -- would 12 Q. Can you conceive of anything that ALPA could have done to persuade the APA to agree to binding 13 that have made the APA more receptive to binding 13 arbitration of seniority integration? arbitration of the seniority integration? 14 14 15 MR. JACOBSON: I'm going to object to the 15 MR. JACOBSON: I have an objection to the 16 form of the question. It calls for speculation. It 16 form of the question. It calls for speculation. It 17 seeks an opinion from a person who's not a designated 17 leaves out facts that may be material --18 MR. TOAL: You can just object to the form 18 witness without providing him with all of the facts and 19 of the question instead of a speaking objection. 19 material for such an opinion. Q. (BY MR. TOAL) You can answer the question. 20 MR. JACOBSON: I can -- I can make my full 20 objection because my objection good. It seeks an 21 A. Yeah. There was nothing that would have been 21 22 opinion without providing all the material facts that 22 done by anybody that would have had APA agree to binding 23 are required for opinion from a witness who is not an 23 arbitration. There is no way the politics at APA would 24 expert. And it calls for speculation. 24 have gone for that. 25 25 Q. (BY MR. TOAL) You can answer the question. Q. What if ALPA had threatened a jump seat war

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Herndon, Virginia 20170	5 THE WITNESS: I do.
4 Attorney for the Defendant	6 THEREUPON:
5 6	7 MICHAEL DAY,
7	8 was called as a witness and, having been first duly sworn,
8	9 was examined and testified as follows:
9	10 DIRECT EXAMINATION 11 BY MR. TOAL:
10	11 BY MR. TOAL: 12 Q. Good morning, Mr. Day.
12	13 A. Good morning.
13	Q. Mr. Day, did there come a time when you served as
14	15 ALPA's representative on the unsecured creditors committee in
15	16 the TWA bankruptcy?
16 17	17 A. Yes.
18	18 Q. And when was that?  19 A. That was in February of 2001.
19	19 A. That was in February of 2001. 20 Q. And for how long did you serve as a representative
20	21 on that committee?
21 22	22 A. Approximately a month.
23	23 Q. And did you form an understanding of TWA's
24	24 financial condition at the time that you served on the
25	25 unsecured creditors committee?

their list.

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seven. And we felt we had very little leverage and their committee would kind of beat up on us every time we were in there. They kept reminding us we were getting acquired and this was this, and it caused many sleepless nights.

As I said before, that was one of the reasons I wound up moving to Cedar Key was to get away from people for a while. Ed White was an extremely bright person but he's a pretty tough negotiator, too.

- Q. And as general manager did you find the APA's merger committee to take tough positions?
- 11 A. Yes.

- Q. And did you find them to be aggressive?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. You mentioned some of the things that the APA's merger committee would say to the TWA merger committee, including the fact that TWA was being acquired, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
  - Q. And do you remember other points that the APA's merger committee would make in an effort to justify the positions that it was taking on seniority integration?
  - A. Well, they essentially told us we were working for a bankrupt airlines and that we didn't have any career expectations.
  - Q. And do you remember any other justifications that they offered for the positions they were taking?

A. Well, dealing with Roland Wilder gave me the feeling that there really wasn't a prior merger where it had been quite that draconian under the same circumstances and he wasn't sure that if it ever had to go to Court that it would hold up, stapling the TWA pilots to the bottom of

Q. Was that something that Roland Wilder told you, that if the APA insisted on stapling the TWA pilots to the bottom of the list that there was some cause of action that the TWA pilots could bring?

A. I don't recall him stating it in those words but I recall him constantly having a plan of attack to back it up with some type of legal action each step of the way.

- Q. And, Mr. Day, haven't you testified previously that your understanding was that the APA had the right but not the obligation to staple the TWA pilots to the bottom of the seniority list?
- A. I would have to say that, yes, I think I did state that.
- Q. And was that accurate testimony when you gave it?
- A. It was accurate testimony but I was --

MR. PRESS: Show my objection to the form of the question. I don't know if that was an accurate recitation of his testimony. But subject to that you can go ahead and answer.

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A. Well, they would try to say that their collective bargaining agreement required them to staple any acquired pilot group to the bottom of their list, so that's what we were starting with.

Q. Was it your understanding that the APA had the right to insist on the pilots of any acquired airline being stapled to the bottom of the list?

- A. It's my understanding that they felt they did.
- Q. Did you think they were wrong about that?
- A. I felt that -- I wasn't an expert on what their collective bargaining agreement provided them and what kind of deals they made with the company because we weren't usually privy to those, but I had no reason to doubt that that's what they thought they were entitled to.
- Q. So with respect to my question whether you thought they were wrong about that, did you have a view as to whether the APA was right or wrong in its position that it was entitled to staple the pilots of acquired airlines to the bottom of the list?
- A. Whether they had the right to do it is what you're asking?
  - Q. Yes.
- A. I felt there was some question about it.
- Q. And why did you think there was a question about it?

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A. You know, I think we got into a discussion then on some section of their contract acquiring carriers and so on and the judge explained to me that he didn't feel that was applicable in this case. And as I said, if I said it I guess I felt that they thought they had the right to. Whether they did or not I don't think we'd ever know.

MR. TOAL: So let me show you a transcript of your testimony. We'll have this document marked as Day Exhibit 2. This is a copy of the trial transcript in this case from June 23, 2011.

(Defendant's Exhibit Number 2 was marked for identification.)

- Q. Mr. Day, do you remember testifying during the liability trial in this case?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And did you offer that testimony on or around June 23rd, 2011?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. So let me direct your attention to Page 108 of this transcript. And if I could ask you to look starting at Line 19, do you see the Court says: So you're -- you think -- let me turn that question around. Do you agree that under this agreement American could have stapled the TWA pilots if this agreement was carried out? And then it says, The Witness: I agree they had the right to do that.

Page 49 Page 51 pilot group? 1 MR. PRESS: Again I object to the form of the 1 2 A. Yes. 2 3 3 Q. And was that something that was guiding you in your A. And the same -- flying the same routes? I'm trying 4 negotiations? 4 to think if that would be -- if it could be structured in 5 A. Yes, it was. 5 that manner and at that specific point in time, yes, but 6 Q. And in that context what is meant by a windfall? 6 going into the future there's no way of telling. 7 A. Well, a windfall would have been if American takes 7 Q. Do you recall that the TWA merger committee and the 8 APA merger committee exchanged proposals for the first time 8 all of our airplanes, staples two-thirds of our pilots to the bottom, and suddenly that many of their pilots are able 9 9 on or around March 1st of 2001? to fly equipment and positions that they were not able to 10 10 A. That sounds about right, but I wasn't present I fly before, especially if they furloughed those two-thirds 11 don't think for the first round of exchanges. 11 12 of the pilots immediately after that. That would be a 12 Q. Do you recall that the APA objected to the initial 13 windfall. 13 proposal it got from the TWA MEC as being essentially a 14 14 Q. And would it be a windfall to the TWA pilots if date-of-hire proposal? they were able to fly equipment that they weren't able to fly 15 15 A. I had heard that, yes. 16 previously at TWA? 16 Q. And from the time you took over the merger 17 A. Initially, yes. 17 committee did you have any expectation that the APA would 18 Q. What do you mean by initially? 18 agree to a date-of-hire type proposal? 19 A. Well, in any merger at some point in time generally 19 A. We were continuously told that they would not. 20 these types of restrictions are ended. Even American, which 20 Q. And did you ever have reason to believe at any time 21 was the subject of three or four mergers, had pilots now 21 that the APA would accept a date-of-hire proposal? 22 flying that had no expectations of flying other airplanes. 22 A. They didn't give us any reason to believe it. 23 Q. And did the TWA pilots want the ability eventually 23 Q. And did you have any reason to believe it from any 24 to fly equipment including equipment that TWA didn't have at 24 other source? 25 25 the time of the transaction? A. No. Page 52 Page 50 1 Q. Isn't it true that the TWA MEC was trying to get a 1 A. Eventually, yes. 2 Q. Is that something the APA objected to? 2 proposal as close to date of hire as possible? 3 3 A. Well, that was the original goal, I understood. A. Yes, they did. 4 Q. And did they explain why they were objecting to 4 Q. And was that something that you were trying to 5 that? 5 achieve throughout the course of your negotiations, to get as 6 A. Their standard mantra was not one American pilot's 6 close as possible to a date-of-hire seniority integration? 7 career expectations can be harmed. So they said until the 7 A. You know, we were always waiting for the Tannen 8 last pilot hired on this seniority list is able to hold that, 8 proposal to come forth. We didn't know what it was going to 9 then no TWA pilot can do it. 9 say. That's why, you know, there was such a difficult time 10 Q. Now, if there was a seniority integration proposal 10 trying to negotiate originally because we didn't want to do 11 in which the TWA pilots only competed against themselves, the 11 anything to shoot ourselves in the foot later on. And the 12 American pilots only competed against themselves with respect Tannen proposal was not a date-of-hire proposal, and that's 12 13 to bidding, do you agree that's a structure that would have 13 what our official final proposal to them was. 14 Q. And what's your understanding of the methodology of 14 preserved each pilot group's career expectations? 15 MR. PRESS: Object to the form of the question. 15 the Tannen proposal? 16 A. Not just with that by itself. 16 A. It uses what they call the running mate. 17 17 Q. What else would you need? Q. And how under the Tannen proposal were running 18 A. Well, you'd need lots of things. You'd 18 mates established? 19 need -- you'd need to determine how many airplanes each group 19 A. Well, you took -- you divided the pilot group up. 20 was going to have and how they were utilized. 20 First of all you started with captains and you divided them 21 up into three groups. You took the 777 captains as Boeing 21 Q. So what if we said all the legacy TWA airplanes

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would be available to the TWA pilots, all the legacy American

planes would be available to the American pilots. Would you

agree that was a structure that would preserve the

pretransaction career expectations of each pilot group?

777 and then they also had MD-11s. And they took that number

of captains, 350, for instance, and they saw how far down the

seniority list it went. And they took to the 95th percentile

of that. And at that point those pilots forward were called

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2	A. Not at all.	2	questions that you understood the jury answered?
3	Q. Me telling you, me saying that to you	3	A. Yes.
4	right this morning, is that the first time you	4	Q. Do you believe the jury's verdict,
5	heard that it was a five-week trial?	5	based upon everything you've reviewed, do you
6	A. Yes.	6	believe that verdict was just?
7	Q. And you understand it was a jury	7	MR. TOAL: Object to the form of the
8	trial?	8	question.
9	A. Yes.	9	A. I don't, exactly, understand the
10	Q. Do you understand how many jurors	10	question.
11	there were?	11	Q. Do you think it was a correct
12	A. No.	12	verdict?
13	Q. There were 12.	13	MR. TOAL: Object to the form.
14	A. Okay.	14	A. Correct do you mean was it correct
15	Q. Do you understand that their verdict	15	factually?
16	was unanimous?	16	Q. Yes.
17	A. No.	17	A. I have no independent basis for
18	Q. Okay. Do you understand how long it	18	knowing whether it was correct factually.
19	took them to return a verdict?	19	Q. And you know there were two questions
20	A. No.	20	posed, so maybe we should break it down.
21	Q. And you said you reviewed the	21	The question, No. 2, did ALPA's violation
22	verdict, right?	22	of its duty of fair representation directly cause
23	A. Yes.	23	injury to some of the TWA pilots? The answer
24	Q. And I just want to make sure it's the	24	was, yes.
25	same thing that I would call a verdict.	25	Do you have any basis to disagree with
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Page 25 Page 27 1 1 MICHAEL S. LEVINE MICHAEL S. LEVINE 2 2 Q. That the TWA pilots were lucky -essentially, absolute control of the seniority 3 3 list and TWA was, essentially, out of business. A. Yes. Q. And you've said that several times. 4 Q. -- not to have been stapled? 4 5 But I really want to see, in your opinion, did 5 A. Yes. 6 the TWA pilots -- did any of them suffer damages 6 Q. Have you talked to any TWA pilots who 7 were subject to the integration? 7 as a result of ALPA's breach? 8 8 A. No. A. I think I've answered your question. 9 MR. TOAL: Objection, asked and 9 Q. Have you talked to any American answered and lack of foundation. pilots that were part of the process of 10 10 integrating? A. I think I've answered your question. 11 11 12 A. No. 12 Q. I, respectfully, disagree. I mean, I'm just saying that. 13 Q. Okay. Have you talked to any 13 But this is a yes or no question. executives at American Airlines? 14 14 15 15 In your opinion, did any TWA pilots A. No. suffer damages as a result of ALPA's breach O. Or any executives at TWA? 16 16 MR. TOAL: Object to the form. 17 A. No. 17 You don't have to say ves or no. 18 Q. And you've not talked to anybody at 18 It's been asked and answered and lack of 19 ALPA? 19 20 A. I'm sorry, just to be absolutely 20 foundation. 21 correct for the record, I shook hands with Mike 21 A. In my opinion, some individual pilots 22 Palumbo recently at a dinner for Herb Kelleher 22 may have suffered as a result of the particular 23 given at NYU. We did not have a conversation 23 course that the negotiations took. 24 Q. Have you identified any of those about the lawsuit. 24 Q. I see. And you've not talked to 25 25 pilots? Page 26 Page 28 1 1 MICHAEL S. LEVINE MICHAEL S. LEVINE 2 2 anybody at ALPA about the lawsuit? A. No. 3 3 Q. Have you identified how many of them A. No. there are? 4 Q. Alright. If you look at Page 7 of 4 your report. It's kind of a similarly stated 5 5 A. No. 6 6 Q. Have you quantified these people's opinion. 7 7 Paragraph No. 3, you're concluding remarks loss? 8 there. TWA pilots have very poor prospects at 8 MR. TOAL: Object to the form of the 9 the time of the acquisition and the American 9 question, to the extent it presupposes that there pilots knew it so there was no prospect of 10 10 was a loss. 11 improving them through different negotiating 11 A. Who does "these people" refer to in tactics. And the TWA pilots, therefore, have 12 your question? 12 little, if any, choice to accept the American 13 Q. The people that you're referring to 13 pilots' offer. That's -- I read that correctly. that may have had an improved position. 14 14 A. I have not identified them and, 15 Is that still your opinion today? 15 therefore, I could not have calculated their 16 A. Yes. 16 17 Q. In your opinion, did the TWA pilots 17 gains or losses. as a group suffer any damages as a result of 18 Q. Okay. At Page 8 of your report, Mr. 18 Levine, in the middle paragraph, you're talking 19 ALPA's breach? 19 about Plaintiff's expert Mr. Salamat. And you 20 A. I think I've answered that question. 20 quote from his report, "Given that the jury found 21 Individual pilots may have had a different 21 outcome had the negotiations been conducted 22 that ALPA's violation caused harm to the TWA 22 23 differently. In aggregate, I believe, the TWA 23 pilots, it must be taken as a basic truth that pilots did not suffer because I think the outcome 24 had ALPA been effective in representing the TWA 24 25 was determined by the fact that the APA had, 25 pilots, a better list would have been obtained,"

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And I was just addressing -- focusing your attention on that seniority list along with the Table 1, which those transactions are among the several transactions listed.

- A. Okay. I see the seven transactions in Paragraph 10 and I know where Table 1 is.
- Q. Okay. I take it from your earlier answer that you have some dispute with Professor Farber concerning the transactions, the seven transactions, listed on Page 5 at that second half of Paragraph 10; is that correct?
  - A. Yes.

Q. Alright. Which of these transactions, if any, do you believe should not be included in Professor Farber's evaluation of the coefficient that he applies in his opinion?

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you just mentioned that you are familiar with, the two cargo ones and the others, are there any of those transactions that you believe should not be properly included in this list of transactions on which Professor Farber based his composite coefficient?

- A. I don't understand how cargo carriers fit into an analysis of how passenger carrier seniority lists fit together. So I don't quite understand why Professor Farber has included those, which I note -- or, at least, one he eliminates.
- Q. Alright. How about the transactions with which you are familiar, which are not cargo transactions, which I believe were the Delta/Pan Am and the Texas International/Continental transactions, do you have any criticism to Professor Farber including these two transactions in his lists of combinations which he used to generate his composite coefficient?
- A. Yeah, I don't think that the Texas Instruments/Continental transaction is similar in characteristics to American/TWA for a number of reasons. So I'm not sure that -- I don't think

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- A. (No response.)
- Q. You're taking a long time to reach an answer, so maybe I should ask you a foundational question.

Looking at the seven transactions listed on Page 5 there on the second half of Paragraph 10, are you familiar with those transactions?

- A. Some of them, yes.
- Q. Which ones are you familiar with?
- A. The first two, which are cargo operators, not passenger operators. And I'm familiar with the Delta/Pan Am and the Texas International/Continental transactions.
- Q. Alright. Do you have -- is it -- let me...

Do you have any opinion regarding the transactions that you have not just listed as being transactions you're familiar with, do you have any opinion as to whether those are properly included in this list by Professor Farber?

- A. I don't know because I don't know enough about those transactions to say one way or the other.
  - Q. Alright. Of the several transactions

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it fits in a comparison. But I don't think I have anything more to say about it at this point.

- Q. You said, "for a number of reasons." What would those reasons be?
- A. Well, the reason that I don't think this transaction fits is that Texas International was, essentially, a consolidator, a financial acquirer of Continental. Continental being the acquired airline was a carrier in substantially different financial condition than TWA was when it was acquired by American. So I don't see much in the way of similarities, other than both of the acquired entities were passenger carriers.
- Q. They're different financially in what way?
- A. Continental's financial condition and its market position was markedly better than TWA was when TWA filed for bankruptcy in January of 2001.
- Q. Was this in connection -- this particular acquisition, Texas International/Continental, was that in connection with one of the Continental bankruptcies?

A. Yes.

Page 207 Page 205 JAMES S. FELTMAN, CPA 1 JAMES S. FELTMAN, CPA 1 2 Q. And was Continental in financial 2 Q. I take it from your comments with 3 difficulty? 3 respect to the list that we're looking earlier on 4 MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form. 4 top of Page 5, that you don't have a problem with A. Broadly speaking, it was. 5 Delta/Pan Am being included in the list of 5 Continental was -- Continental like other main 6 6 comparables? 7 line carriers at that time used bankruptcy as a 7 MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form, 8 8 tool to restructure either operationally or do a mischaracterizes his testimony. financial restructuring. But it was on the verge 9 A. I told you I didn't understand how it 9 of liquidation, as was TWA in January 2001. 10 was appropriate to categorize cargo operators 10 Q. I'm sorry. I take it from your having same characteristics as a main line 11 11 12 comments that Continental was still flying at 12 passenger carrier and why I thought that TI/Continental transaction didn't belong here. 13 that time then? 13 14 14 I don't recall that we -- I said I was A. Yes. 15 15 familiar with Delta/Pan Am, but I don't think we Q. Turning if you could then to Table 1, there's a list of transactions listed by 16 discussed it. And then I mentioned to you how 16 17 acquiring airline filed by acquired airline and 17 you could put Southwest in or take it out 18 the year of the merger, et cetera. 18 depending on what you saw as the relevant Are any of these transactions, 19 19 characteristics. 20 transactions you believe should have been 20 Q. Well, since Delta/Pan Am was one of 21 included by Professor Farber in his group of 21 the four transactions on that list on Page 5 that transactions that he used to come up with his 22 22 you indicated familiarity with and you gave 23 composite coefficient, his proportional means, as 23 reasons why you felt that the other three were not properly included in the composite group, I 24 he called it? 24 A. Let me have another look at something 25 concluded that erroneously that you did not have 25 Page 206 Page 208 1 1 JAMES S. FELTMAN, CPA JAMES S. FELTMAN, CPA 2 2 else to see if... an objection to including Delta/Pan Am. 3 3 So I guess my question is, do you think Q. Sure. You're looking at your own that Delta/Pan Am is an appropriate comparative 4 4 report? 5 5 to the American/TWA? A. For a moment. 6 We previously discussed my view that 6 MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form. 7 Southwest's acquisition of Air Tran was 7 A. I think similar to the discussion we 8 dissimilar in that --8 just had about Southwest/Air Tran, here we have 9 O. Dissimilar? 9 two main lines, a very large and prosperous Delta are acquiring a much more smaller and financially 10 A. (Continuing.) Dissimilar in that 10 11 both were LCC carriers, but Air Tran was a 11 frail Pan Am. So I think there are, certainly, single-hub operator who had no future given that some similarities to the American/TWA 12 12 it was positioned at Hartsfield and had no 13 13 transaction. capability to compete against Delta. So it was 14 14 Q. Is that a yes or a no? just a question of time until it went out of 15 15 MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form. A. It's -- I think it's a qualified yes. 16 business. 16 17 17 Q. Okay. What about Republic/Frontier, O. Does that mean it is or is not one that you would put in the group of comparables to are you familiar with that transaction? 18 18 19 generate a proportionate mean number? 19 A. Yes. MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form. 20 20 Q. Is that one you believe is an A. I think that you could exclude it for appropriate comparable to American/TWA? 21 21 the purpose of recognizing that it was one LCC 22 A. I think it's a qualified yes, 22 acquiring another but consider it for the fact 23 Frontier was, I think, at time that it was 23 acquired by Republic, had either curtailed flight 24 that it was a one-hub operator. So I think that 24 it's kind of some of one and some of another. 25 25 operations or ceased flight operations and it was

#### **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

PATRICK BRADY, et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL,

Defendant.

Civil Action

No. 02-2917 (JEI)

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#### REPORT OF PROFESSOR KEVIN M. MURPHY

#### I. CREDENTIALS

- 1. My name is Kevin M. Murphy. I am the George J. Stigler Distinguished Service Professor of Economics in the Booth School of Business and the Department of Economics at the University of Chicago, where I have taught since 1983.
- 2. I earned a doctorate degree in economics from the University of Chicago in 1986. I received my bachelor's degree, also in economics, from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 1981.
- 3. At the University of Chicago, I teach economics in both the Booth School of Business and the Department of Economics. I teach graduate level courses in microeconomics, price theory, empirical labor economics, and the economics of public policy issues. In these courses, I cover a wide range of topics, including the incentives that motivate firms and individuals, the operation of markets, the determinants of market prices, and the impacts of regulation and the legal system. Most of my teaching focuses on two things: how to use the tools of economics to understand the behavior of individuals, firms and markets; and how to apply economic analysis to data. My focus in both research and teaching has been on integrating economic principles and empirical analysis.
- 4. I have authored or co-authored more than sixty-five articles in a variety of areas in economics. Those articles have been published in leading scholarly and professional journals, including the *American Economic Review*, the *Journal of Law and Economics*, and the *Journal of Political Economy*.
- 5. I am a Fellow of the Econometric Society and a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In 1997, I was awarded the John Bates Clark Medal, which the American Economic Association awarded once every two years to an outstanding American economist under the age of forty. In 2005, I was named a MacArthur Fellow, an award that provides a

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The John Bates Clark Medal was awarded biennially until 2009, but it now is awarded annually. See, http://www.aeaweb.org/honors awards/clark medal.php.

five-year fellowship to individuals who show exceptional merit and promise for continued and enhanced creative work.

- 6. In addition to my position at the University of Chicago, I am also a Senior Consultant at Charles River Associates ("CRA"), a consulting firm that specializes in the application of economics to law and regulatory matters. I have consulted on a variety of antitrust, intellectual property and other matters involving economic and legal issues such as mergers, class certification, damages, labor practices, joint ventures, and allegations of anticompetitive exclusionary access, tying, price fixing, and price discrimination. In addition, I served as an economic consultant to the National Basketball Player's Association during its negotiations with the National Basketball Association over the 2005 and 2011 Collective Bargaining Agreements.
- 7. I have submitted testimony in federal courts, the U.S. Senate and to state regulatory bodies, and I have submitted expert reports in numerous cases. I have testified on behalf of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and I have consulted for the U.S. Department of Justice. A list of the reports I have filed and the testimony I have given over the past four years is provided in my CV, attached as Appendix A. CRA is being compensated at a rate of \$1,250 per hour for my work on this matter.

#### II. ASSIGNMENT AND SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

- 8. This litigation arises from a dispute over integration of the seniority lists of pilots for American Airlines ("American") and Trans World Airlines, Inc. ("TWA"). After TWA agreed in early 2001 to an acquisition offer from American, union representatives of the two pilot groups negotiated over several months about how to integrate the two airlines' pilots into a single seniority list. The parties were unable to reach an agreement. With the approval of American, the American pilots (represented by their union, the Allied Pilots Association ("APA")) decided upon and implemented a merged seniority list known as Supplement CC.
- 9. A group of former TWA pilots subsequently sued the Air Line Pilots Association, International ("ALPA"), the labor union that represented the TWA pilots prior to the merger of American and TWA. Those pilots claimed that ALPA did not discharge its duty to fairly represent them during negotiations over the merged seniority list, and that they were injured as a

result.<sup>2</sup> At trial, a jury found that ALPA had "violate[d] its duty of fair representation to the TWA Pilots," a violation that "directly cause[d] injury to some of the TWA Pilots."<sup>3</sup>

- 10. Counsel for ALPA has asked me to review expert reports that Professor Henry Farber and Mr. Rikk Salamat submitted on behalf of Plaintiffs and to evaluate the methodology and conclusions offered in those reports regarding the damages allegedly owed to Plaintiffs as a result of ALPA's violation of its duty of fair representation. Professor Farber generates hypothetical merged seniority lists, but he does not calculate damages. His hypothetical merged seniority lists are based on comparisons he draws to other airline mergers where, unlike here, the integration of the merging parties' pilot seniority lists was decided by binding arbitration. Mr. Salamat offers several different estimates of alleged damages to TWA pilots based on various hypothetical seniority lists, including estimates based on Professor Farber's proposed seniority lists.
- 11. Based on my review of Professor Farber's and Mr. Salamat's reports and deposition testimony, documents, and application of economic principles, I have concluded that neither of Plaintiffs' experts has offered a reasonable or methodologically sound estimate of damages potentially resulting from the challenged conduct. (Appendix B is a list of the materials I considered.) The principal opinions I offer in this report, and as to which I will testify at trial if requested to do so, are the following:<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Patrick Brady, et al., Plaintiffs v. Air Line Pilots Association, et al., Defendants, Second Amended Restated Complaint, e.g., at ¶109.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Jury Verdict in Patrick Brady, et al., Plaintiffs v. Air Line Pilots Association, et al., Defendants, July 13, 2011. For purposes of the analysis I provide in this report, I assume that ALPA breached its duty of fair representation to the TWA pilots because I understand that the jury reached that conclusion. However, I offer no opinion about whether or not the jury's conclusion is correct.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Rikk M.T. Salamat, BA, MBA, Damages in Brady et al vs. The Air Line Pilots Association, October 12, 2012 ("Salamat Original Report"); Furlough Damages in Brady et al vs. The Airline Pilots Association After Application of Set-Off, April 30, 2013 ("Salamat Set-Off Report"); Damages in Brady et al vs. The Air Line Pilots Association Supplementary Report on Damages Under the Farber Lists, October 12, 2012 ("Salamat Farber Report"); Damages in Brady et al vs. The Air Line Pilots Association Supplementary Report on Damages Under the Tannen List, October 12, 2012 ("Salamat Tannen Report"); Expert Report of Henry S. Farber, October 12, 2012 ("Farber Report").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Farber Report ¶56.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The opinions I express here are based on the information available to me as of the date of this report. I will continue to collect, review and analyze facts, data and information relevant to the opinions and issues I discuss in this report, and I will supplement my report as necessary to reflect such information.

- 12. **Opinion One:** Plaintiffs' basic allegation is that, but for ALPA's failure to meet its duty of fair representation, negotiations between the parties would have led to a different seniority list. Both of Plaintiffs' experts agree. Given that this alternative list would be the outcome of bargaining, any candidate list must be consistent with the economics principles of bargaining.
- 13. In evaluating potential outcomes of a negotiation, economics shows that it is necessary to take into account the gains the parties can obtain if they reach an agreement, as well as each party's expected outcome absent an agreement. The economics of bargaining demonstrates that the payoff that each party will obtain will depend upon the strength of its respective bargaining position. Accordingly, any hypothetical outcome of negotiations that fails to account for the benefits to both parties of reaching an agreement, relative to their expectations without an agreement, and fails to distribute those benefits consistent with the parties' relative bargaining positions, is inconsistent with economics. I use the principles of bargaining theory to analyze Supplement CC, as well as the hypothetical seniority lists proposed by Professor Farber and Mr. Salamat and the resulting damages calculated by Mr. Salamat.
- 14. **Opinion Two:** The economic theory of bargaining predicts that both parties would gain from the transaction and hence that each party would be better off than it would have been absent the transaction. This is consistent with the view expressed by the parties that the integrated seniority list should improve outcomes relative to each party's pre-transaction career expectations. Going into the transaction and the subsequent negotiations, the American pilots had much higher career expectations without an agreement than the TWA pilots had because the American pilots were working for a successful and historically profitable airline and could

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Farber Report ¶9 and Salamat Original Report at 2.

<sup>\*</sup>See, for example, Nash, John F. "The bargaining problem," Econometrica, vol. 18, issue 2 (1950), pp. 155-162. The so-called "Nash bargaining solution" is for each player to get his disagreement payoff plus half of the surplus (the total available value minus the sum of disagreement payoffs). In its recent consideration of Comcast's acquisition of NBCU (see, Memorandum Opinion and Order, Applications of Comcast Corporation, General Electric Company, and NBC Universal, Inc. for Consent to Assign Licenses and Transfer Control of Licensees, MB Docket No. 10-56, FCC 11-4 (released Jan. 20, 2011), available at <a href="http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\_public/attachmatch/FCC-11-4A1.pdf">http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\_public/attachmatch/FCC-11-4A1.pdf</a> ("Comcast-NBCU Order")), the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted this framework, citing analysis that I had submitted on behalf of DIRECTV. In particular, the FCC noted that "to determine the likely magnitude of any post-transaction price changes, we adopt a Nash bargaining model originally proposed by ACA and DIRECTV and subsequently used by the Applicants in their second filing" (footnoting "DIRECTV – Murphy June Report at 31-32; ACA – Rogerson June Report at 19-20.38"). See, also, Jonathan B. Baker, "Comcast/NBCU: The FCC Provides a Roadmap for Vertical Merger Analysis," 25 Antitrust 36 (2011) ("Baker (2011") ("the Nash bargaining model is nevertheless commonly thought to provide a reasonable basis for predicting the bargaining outcome").

expect continued employment, advancement and growth. TWA, on the other hand, was financially failing and on the verge of liquidation. <sup>9</sup> Its pilots had no reasonable prospects of remaining employed at TWA or a successor airline absent an acquisition by American. <sup>10</sup> Thus, absent the merger, the TWA pilots could expect to be looking for work at another airline where, given prevailing industry practices, they would have been placed at the bottom of the seniority scale, assuming they could find work at all. The disparity in career expectations created a disparity in the two parties' fallback payoffs. That disparity between the parties was heightened by the fact that the APA's collective bargaining agreement with American effectively gave the American pilots the right to impose a seniority list and in particular to unilaterally staple the TWA pilots to the bottom of the integrated seniority list, if they decided to do so. The ability to unilaterally set the terms of the seniority list enhanced the American pilots' bargaining power. Given the American pilots' superior bargaining power, under bargaining theory we would expect, all else equal, that the American pilots would receive a greater share of the gains than the TWA pilots.

15. **Opinion Three**: The TWA pilots received significant benefits from the transaction in the form of higher pay and the prospect of continued employment at an ongoing airline, irrespective of where they were placed on the merged seniority list. In contrast, the American pilots received no direct benefits from the transaction that were independent of the seniority list adopted. The only benefits that the American pilots stood to gain from the transaction were benefits that flowed from the prospect of TWA pilots being added to the seniority list in a way that improved the relative position of American pilots. As a result, economics predicts that any seniority list that would emerge from bargaining would favor the American pilots (otherwise the American pilots would receive no benefits from the transaction). Because the TWA pilots preserved their opportunities to fly TWA planes through other provisions in Supplement CC (in particular, the St. Louis fence), the American pilots did not gain additional aircraft or promotional opportunities. Thus, the American pilots benefited only through the increased insurance against being furloughed that resulted from placing some number of TWA pilots below them on the merged seniority list.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Expert Report of James S. Feltman, March 15, 2013 ("Feltman Report") at 7-8, 25, 44; Expert Report of Michael E. Levine, March 15, 2013 ("Levine Report") at 9, 24-25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34. Levine Report at 23-24.

- 16. **Opinion Four:** The application of bargaining theory shows that Supplement CC reflects a distribution of the expected benefits of the transaction that is consistent with the relative bargaining positions of the two pilot groups and their relative pre-transaction expectations. The TWA pilots already obtained substantial benefits relative to their previous position and opportunities at TWA when discussion of the seniority list integration began, including continued employment with a more financially secure airline as well as higher pay. I estimate that, under Supplement CC, the TWA pilots received on a prospective basis about half the total gains received by the two sets of pilots from the transaction when I exclude benefits they received from the pay increase, and about 60 percent of the benefits from the transaction when their benefits from the pay increase are taken into account. On a per pilot basis, the TWA pilots fared even better, and received an even greater share of the gains than the average American Airlines pilot received.
- 17. **Opinion Five:** Neither of Plaintiffs' experts applies an economic model of bargaining to produce or to evaluate the seniority lists that he posits would have resulted had ALPA not breached its duty of fair representation. Their calculations of potential damages to the TWA pilots are uninformative because they fail to account for the impact that TWA's financial distress, the other benefits received by the TWA pilots and the pre-transaction expectations of the American pilots and TWA pilots would have had on the negotiations. Indeed, they fail to even analyze the impact of their proposed lists on the American pilots. As a result, Plaintiffs' experts generate hypothetical seniority lists – on the basis of which Mr. Salamat purports to calculate damages owed to Plaintiffs – which on a prospective basis (i.e., when evaluated from the perspective of the pilot groups when they were negotiating) made the American pilots worse off than they would have been absent the transaction. This is inconsistent with bargaining theory. Even viewed with hindsight (i.e., using information about the subsequent downturn in American's demand for pilots that was not known at the time of the negotiations), the TWA pilots received the majority of the gains from the transaction, which would not be expected given the American pilots' ability under their contract to determine the seniority list unilaterally. Thus, I conclude that none of Plaintiffs' experts' hypothetical seniority lists reflects a reasonably achievable outcome of the negotiations between the TWA pilots and the American pilots over the seniority integration.

18. **Opinion Six:** In addition to being inconsistent with the predictions of bargaining theory, Plaintiffs' experts' opinions suffer from numerous other empirical and methodological flaws that render them unreliable. These flaws include, among other things: arbitrary assumptions about the probability that any hypothetical actions taken by ALPA would have affected the outcome of negotiations between the TWA and American pilots over a merged seniority list; misplaced reliance on arbitrated decisions when there was no reasonable prospect of arbitration in this case; and ignoring differences in the American and TWA fleets, which had a significant impact on the pilots' respective career expectations absent the transaction. Plaintiffs' experts' opinions also are inconsistent with and contradict each other.

#### III. **BACKGROUND**

#### A. TWA's Financial History

- 19. American's proposal to acquire certain TWA assets and to retain TWA's pilots, and the subsequent seniority list merger of the two airlines' pilots, occurred at a time when TWA was in dire financial condition and American was profitable and growing. 11 TWA went through bankruptcies in 1992 and 1995. After the 1992 bankruptcy, the TWA pilots agreed to a 15 percent reduction in pay rates, but the airline remained unprofitable.<sup>12</sup> TWA undertook a financial and operational restructuring again in 1995. Employees agreed then to a variety of productivity measures, including reduced vacation and sick time and giving up the right to "snap back" the 15 percent compensation concession provided during the first bankruptcy. 13
- 20. As explained in reports submitted in the present case on behalf of ALPA by James S. Feltman and Michael E. Levine, TWA was not a financially viable airline by the end of 2000. 14 Rather, it was "irremediably structurally unsound and on the verge of liquidation." <sup>15</sup> TWA relied on a single hub, St. Louis, which had been declining as a commercial business center. Other problems contributing to its financial distress included its commitment to the Karabu ticket

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Expert Report of Richard R. Kasher, Esq., March 15, 2013 ("Kasher Report"); Feltman Report at 7-8, 25, 44. In its 2000 Annual Report, American Airlines' parent company reported net earnings of \$752 million, crediting "robust demand for air travel and for air cargo services, as well as product and service enhancements, prudent capacity growth and an effective fuel-hedging program." (AMR Corp. 2000 Annual Report, at 1). <sup>12</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 17:9-13;20:1-21:10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 21:11-22:19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Feltman Report at 4-5; Levine Report at 9, 24-25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Levine Report at 6.

program, under which it collected 45 percent less revenue than competitors for comparable fares; the lack of regional jets and thus feeder traffic to the St. Louis hub; and competition from Southwest (a low-cost carrier ("LCC")), which had a significant and growing presence in St. Louis. Had a variety of strategies to improve its financial position and stave off bankruptcy, including engaging in discussions with potential merger partners and investigating potential standalone plans. However, during 2000 and early 2001, no airline other than American expressed interest in acquiring TWA's aircraft and in providing ongoing employment for the TWA pilots. Some other airlines explored the possibility of purchasing TWA gates and landing slots. But even if these discussions had resulted in a concrete proposal, which I understand they did not, the piecemeal acquisition of such assets would not have provided ongoing employment for the TWA pilots. Descriptions and stave off.

#### **B.** American Agrees to Acquire TWA

- 21. On January 9, 2001, American and TWA entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement under which American agreed to purchase out of bankruptcy certain TWA assets and to provide employment for TWA's unionized employees, including its pilots, at wages and benefits comparable to those of American's unionized employees. As required by the agreement, TWA filed for bankruptcy on January 10, 2001. According to the bankruptcy court, "TWA's approximate cash balance on January 10, 2001 was \$20-30 million and TWA needed \$40 million to fund its operations the next day." American Airlines agreed to provide approximately \$200 million in debtor-in-possession ("DIP") financing to address TWA's immediate liquidity crisis and allow it to operate until the transaction with American Airlines closed. TWA's CFO Michael Palumbo stated that TWA "didn't have an ability to pay any material obligation that [the company] had" without this DIP financing. 22
- 22. On January 12, 2001, the TWA ALPA Master Executive Council ("TWA MEC") released a statement that, if the deal with American did not close for some reason, "we face the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Palumbo Dep. 1/21/2013 at 49:12-21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 32:2-33:4; Palumbo Dep. 1/21/2013 at 96:20-99:14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34. Levine Report at 23-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 32:17-33:4; 151:23-152:1. Resnick Dep. 1/16/2013 at 20:22-23:16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 151:23-152:8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> April 2, 2001 letter to bankruptcy counsel from the Honorable Peter Walsh ¶17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Palumbo Dep. 1/21/2013 at 117:21-22.

probability that all 20,000 jobs at TWA will be lost."<sup>23</sup> Mike Day, who was lead negotiator for the TWA MEC in its negotiations over the merged pilot seniority list with the American pilots' union, the APA, said, "[w]e were all excited about [the potential transaction with American Airlines]. We felt that American was one of the biggest carriers out there and it would be a pretty good match-up."<sup>24</sup> Similarly, TWA CEO Bill Compton testified that he thought the American Airlines transaction was "the best possible outcome for the TWA employees . . . [because] if we didn't do the American deal, every TWA employee was going to lose their job. Every TWA retiree was going to lose all their benefits."25

23. As part of its agreement to acquire certain TWA assets, American Airlines required the TWA pilots to waive certain contractual protections in their collective bargaining agreement ("CBA"). In particular, Section 10.2 of the Asset Purchase Agreement required that "[p]rior to [c]losing, TWA shall amend all existing Collective Bargaining Agreements . . . to provide that . . . scope, successorship, and benefits provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreements are not applicable to or being assumed by [American Airlines]."<sup>26</sup> Jeffrey Brundage, head of labor relations at American Airlines, testified that the "transaction would not have gone forward" without the elimination of the scope clause in the TWA pilots' collective bargaining agreement,<sup>27</sup> and former American Airlines CEO Donald Carty likewise testified that American "would not have proceeded with the transaction" with TWA without a scope waiver.<sup>28</sup>

#### C. Pilot Integration Negotiations and Supplement CC

24. Representatives of the American and TWA pilots began negotiations over the merged pilot seniority list on March 1, 2001. The TWA MEC's Merger Committee negotiated on behalf of the TWA pilots. The American pilots were represented by the APA's M&A Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> As cited in Position Statement of APA, p. 16, at ALPA 015299. See also TWA MEC Communications Committee Update on January 12, 2001 at ALPA 004361.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Day Dep. 5/02/2013 at 6:17-20. Industry observers offered similar assessments of the potential transaction with American Airlines. For example, Senator Bond noted at a 2001 hearing that "[a]lmost everyone involved with TWA looks at the acquisition . . . as the knight in shining armor riding in on his white horse rescuing the damsel in distress ..." Senate Hearing, *Airline Consolidation: Has It Gone Too Far?* February 7, 2001 at 4. <sup>25</sup> Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 47:10-16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Asset Purchase Agreement, p. 41 (ALPA 013341).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Brundage Dep. 10/23/12 at 39:22-40:1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Carty Dep. 10/15/2012 at 33:15-16.

- 25. During the course of negotiations, the two union committees exchanged numerous proposals and counterproposals and used the services of an independent facilitator. One principle on which they agreed was that the merged seniority list should protect the pretransaction career expectations of both pilot groups.<sup>29</sup> Both pilot groups also offered proposals in which the top positions on the merged seniority list would be reserved for American Airlines pilots who flew equipment that TWA did not operate, and some TWA pilots would be placed at the bottom of the merged seniority list (though still above any American new-hires).<sup>30</sup>
- 26. Despite negotiations over several months, representatives of the two pilot groups did not agree on a merged seniority list. On November 7, 2001, the APA Board of Directors unilaterally approved a merged seniority list, with conditions and restrictions, called Supplement CC, which was accepted by American Airlines. Supplement CC, which took effect in April 2002, provided that:
  - a) The top 2,596 seniority positions on the merged list would consist of American pilots who were eligible to fly large wide-body aircraft. As TWA did not have any large wide-body aircraft in its fleet at the time of the acquisition, the TWA pilots had no prospect of flying these types of planes prior to the acquisition.
  - b) Starting after American pilot number 2,596, the 1,095 most senior TWA pilots (based on seniority as of April 10, 2001) were merged into the American pilots' existing seniority list at a ratio of approximately one TWA pilot to 8.1763 American pilots.
  - c) Next, the remaining 1,242 TWA pilots were placed in seniority order after the last pilot of the merged section of the list (pilot Camus, who became pilot #12,644 on the integrated seniority list).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> July 18, 2001 letter from Ed White to Mike Day, p. 2 (ALPA 001809) (noting that "[a]t our first meeting in February 2001, [the TWA MEC Merger Committee] emphasized that unity, fairness and equity, and efficiency will be served by a seniority integration which . . . preserves career expectations").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> August 17, 2001 letter from Mike Day to Ed White, APA (J-327) ("We have offered a restriction to reflect the fact that TWA pilots did not have an expectation of B777 flying before the transaction."). *See also* October 23, 2001 letter from the TWA MEC to Darrah and Brundage accepting the terms of the last APA proposal on October 20, 2001 with certain additional conditions (ALPA 022075). While this was not the final agreement, the TWA MEC did agree to a proposal that included a top staple of AA pilots and a bottom staple of TWA pilots (ALPA 008905).

- d) Finally, pilots hired by American after April 10, 2001 who had been assigned to airline flying duty as of October 1, 2001 were placed below the most junior TWA pilot.<sup>31</sup>
- 27. Supplement CC also provided for "two sets of 'fence' provisions...to assure that the seniority list fairly operates to reflect the AA and TWA pilots' career paths as of April 10, 2001."32 One fence limited the TWA pilots' ability to bid for the large wide-body aircraft that only American flew prior to the transaction and that the TWA pilots would have had no opportunity to fly while they were at TWA.<sup>33</sup> The other, the St. Louis fence, prevented American pilots – who would not have had access to the opportunities in St. Louis that the TWA pilots had prior to the merger – from "reaping an injurious windfall by gaining advancement opportunities that belonged to the TWA pilots prior to the transaction."<sup>34</sup> As the APA's Mergers & Acquisitions Committee stated, the "fences in Supplement CC . . . recognize . . . that the flying representing the TWA pilots' pre-transaction career path is now reflected first and foremost in St. Louis." The Committee stated that the fences existed "to protect the TWA pilots' pre-transaction career path, including narrow-body and small wide-body Captain jobs attributable to aircraft that TWA operated prior to the transaction, principally in the St. Louis domicile."<sup>36</sup> According to the Committee, the fences also "assure that the expectation of every AA pilot to fly the largest aircraft in the fleet – through the last pilot hired before April 10, 2001 - is not adversely affected by the integration of the seniority list."<sup>37</sup> Further, the Committee stated that the fences "preserve[d] the TWA pilots' opportunities to upgrade within the St. Louis domicile, and to continue to have some of the quality of life . . . that they had within the separate TWA operation, notwithstanding their relative placement on the integrated seniority list."<sup>38</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> APA's Mergers & Acquisitions Committee, "Summary of Supplement CC," December 14, 2001 (ALPA 008746-781, -757-758) ("Summary of Supplement CC").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 20 (ALPA 008765).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 20-21 (ALPA 008765-66).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 22 (ALPA 008767). Mr. Salamat assumes in his analysis that "the Supplement CC protections would provide a number of guaranteed captain positions. If a pilot is in a protected position, then increasing his seniority may not increase his income....[He identified] pilots in protected positions and assume[d] zero impact in the months in which they were holding positions out of seniority order" (Salamat Original Report at 43), which likely is based on operation of the St. Louis fence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 23 (ALPA 008768).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 18, 20 (ALPA 008763, 008765).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 21 (ALPA 008766).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at 23 (ALPA 008767).

28. American's acquisition of TWA's assets and the implementation of Supplement CC provided the TWA pilots with significant gains. First, the TWA pilots gained job security and higher pay. Absent the transaction, the TWA pilots would have no reasonable expectation of either, assuming that TWA was on the verge of liquidation and its pilots therefore would have lost their jobs.<sup>39</sup> Second, about half of the TWA pilot group was merged on the seniority list with American pilots. Third, even though the other half of the TWA pilots was placed below the legacy American pilot group on the seniority list, all of the TWA pilots were placed above the pilots hired by American after the transaction closed. Fourth, Supplement CC provided for a St. Louis fence that effectively created an "airline within an airline" based in TWA's St. Louis hub. This prevented the American pilots from using their higher seniority to bid for jobs in St. Louis. Thus, the continued employment and the fence together protected career expectations of the TWA pilots in a way that they could not have anticipated without the transaction. If TWA had ceased operations, then all of its pilots would have been forced to start at the bottom of the seniority list of any airline with which they could have obtained employment regardless of the number of years of flying experience accrued at TWA, or worse yet, be without a job.

#### **D.** Operations of the Merged Airline

29. TWA contributed planes and related jobs in addition to the 2,337 pilots that TWA brought to the transaction, almost all of whom were on active duty at the time of the acquisition. Exhibit 1 shows the expected fleet composition for the merged firm as of December 31, 2001. TWA brought mostly narrow-body planes and substantially fewer small wide-body planes that American would operate after the transaction (American did not keep and operate all of the planes TWA had at the time of the transaction). TWA brought no large wide-body planes to the transaction. As shown in the Exhibit, TWA thus disproportionately contributed smaller planes to the merged carrier. American also planned to continue operating its existing planes and taking delivery of planes that American had on order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34; Levine Report at 23-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Hefley Merger Notes, August 20, 2001, at ALPA 004804 ("In our view, you brought 103 md80s, 9 767s, 27 757's, and 30 717's. That should equal 169. That's as of the first quarter of next year. . ." (Ed White APA M&A Committee speaking)); American Airlines Annual Report, 2001.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at ALPA 008758 ("American was the acquiring carrier. It was a large, global airline in sound financial condition, which was growing and had extensive orders for additional wide-body aircraft").

30. By evaluating the fleet composition expected for the merged carrier as of December 31, 2001 and the aircraft that TWA brought to the merged company (see Exhibit 1), as well as the relevant aircraft manning rates<sup>42</sup> (i.e., pilots per plane) and work rules<sup>43</sup> (see Exhibit 2), I determined that the merged carrier initially expanded by 169 planes and 2,080 pilot jobs as a result of TWA's contributed aircraft (see Exhibits 1 and 3)<sup>44</sup>.

# IV. THE ECONOMICS OF BARGAINING IS THE PROPER ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK FOR EVALUATING PLAINTIFFS' CLAIMS AND THEIR EXPERTS' HYPOTHETICAL SENIORITY LISTS

- 31. Economic damages from any breach by ALPA are equal to the difference between the value to the TWA pilots of (i) the transaction under Supplement CC and (ii) the value the TWA pilots would have received if ALPA had met its duty of fair representation. In order to quantify this difference, if any, it first is necessary to evaluate how the seniority list would have differed from Supplement CC in the but-for world where ALPA did not breach its duty. This requires economic analysis of the parties' incentives to reach a mutually beneficial agreement. It then is necessary to quantify how much the TWA pilots would have benefited under a proposed seniority list.
- 32. The natural economic framework for evaluating whether the seniority integration alternatives proposed by Plaintiffs' experts reflect reasonable potential outcomes of negotiations between the parties is the economics of bargaining.<sup>45</sup> The economics of bargaining reflects the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Supplement CC assumed average pre-transaction American manning rates. (Summary of Supplement CC, p. 15. (ALPA 008760) Therefore, I used the same rates to determine the number of jobs TWA brought to the merged carrier.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, at ALPA 008760; Ed White's August 20, 2001 letter to Rolf Valtin with American Airlines and TWA manning rates tables attached, ALPA 030054-59; Hefley Merger Notes, February 22, 2001, at ALPA 024945 (according to the notes, Ed White of APA presents staffing numbers and Gary Flor, TWA MEC member, comments "We need a little time to compare ratios. The numbers can be skewed. Flying these aircraft under your workrules produces more seats").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> TWA is given credit for CKA/SUPV jobs in this analysis based on their plane share.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> As noted above, this framework recently was applied by the FCC to analyze the impact on programming costs of Comcast's acquisition of NBCU (*see*, Baker (2011) at 40 (discussing "Bargaining Analysis of Programming Prices"): "The Commission assessed the likely magnitude of price increases arising from the vertical aspect of the transaction by calibrating an economic model of the bargaining between the joint venture and a rival MVPD over the price of programming. Its analysis relied on the Nash bargaining model. The Nash bargaining model explains the division of the gains from negotiation (the bargaining surplus) in terms of each party's best alternative to a negotiated agreement (BATNA) and the parties' relative patience or bargaining skill" (footnotes omitted). For an application of bargaining theory to understand outcomes of negotiations over retransmission consent fees paid by multichannel video programming distributors for carriage of local broadcast stations, see Katz et al., "An Economic

constraints placed on negotiated agreements – namely that each party's expectations, the range of options available to the parties and what happens in the event the parties cannot reach agreement are important determinants of the negotiated outcome.<sup>46</sup>

33. Any proposed merged seniority list acceptable to both groups of pilots (and thus achievable through negotiation) must satisfy certain fundamental economic conditions of negotiated agreements. This approach is consistent with Mr. Salamat's view that ALPA's alleged failure to take certain actions affected "the dynamics of the negotiation." He testified that "I'm not concerned at all with the – with [what] the likely outcome of having done these are except to the extent that it would have changed *the dynamics of the negotiation*. So now you are negotiating with someone whose – whose national union is fighting to protect their scope." According to Mr. Salamat, "if ALPA is fighting for the TWA pilots and attempting to either force a situation where the APA has to negotiate or, in general, just standing behind their pilots and fighting on their behalf, that would change the APA's behavior in that they would then be dealing with a stronger negotiating partner who had other options available to them." Thus, it is appropriate – and would be appropriate even if he did not have this view – to evaluate Mr. Salamat's opinions concerning damages under the framework of the economics of negotiated agreements or bargaining.

#### A. The Economics of Bargaining Explains Negotiated Outcomes

34. The incentive for two parties to reach an agreement is provided by the opportunity for both to benefit by sharing the resulting value created and saving the costs of continued negotiations.<sup>50</sup> The acquisition by American of the TWA assets was expected to create net benefits for the combined pilot group by providing additional opportunities for pilots that would

Analysis of Consumer Harm from the Current Retransmission Consent Regime," November 12, 2009 (a study commissioned by the National Cable & Telecommunications Association, DIRECTV, and DISH Network). 
<sup>46</sup> See, for example, Max H. Bazerman and Margaret A. Neale, Negotiating Rationally (1992). In the literature, a concept similar to the fallback payoff is often referred to as the Best Alternative to Negotiated Agreement ("BATNA"), a term introduced by Roger Fisher and William Ury in their book Getting to Yes, which was first published in 1981 (most recent edition published in 2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 198:20-21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 198:18-23 (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 230:11-18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Nash, John F., "The bargaining problem." Econometrica, vol. 18, issue 2 (1950), pp. 155-162 and Binmore, Ken, Ariel Rubinstein and Asher Wolinksy, "The Nash Bargaining Solution in Economic Modeling," 17 RAND Journal of Economics (1986), pp. 176-188.

not have been available without the merger and by potentially improving the career expectations of both pilot groups.<sup>51</sup>

- 35. I use principles of bargaining to evaluate alternative seniority lists proposed by Plaintiffs' experts, as well as Supplement CC. In order to evaluate the outcome under the proposed and actual seniority lists, I examine three factors: (1) the "fallback payoffs" of each party or each party's position if no agreement is reached; (2) the total amount of value created by agreement; and (3) the relative bargaining power or leverage of the two parties. Economic principles dictate the bounds of any possible negotiated agreement between two parties and inform where within those bounds the parties likely would settle.
- 36. I apply this framework to evaluate Plaintiffs' claims that ALPA's breach of the duty of fair representation resulted in an unreasonable seniority list. The bargaining would have occurred, by necessity, at a time when the future of American and the airline industry was uncertain. Economics informs us that both parties would make their best assessment of how they would do given possible future outcomes in the face of uncertainty, and they would bargain based on those expectations. Thus, it is proper to evaluate the reasonableness of potential bargaining outcomes using information that was knowable at the time that the bargaining would have occurred, while taking into account the uncertainty facing the parties. The reasonableness of a hypothetical bargaining outcome cannot be evaluated directly using information that the parties could not have known at the time.

#### 1. The Pilots' Fallback Payoffs

37. The fallback payoffs at the time that American was negotiating to acquire the TWA assets were based on how each would have fared if American had not acquired TWA. This same view was expressed during bargaining over the seniority list with both sides referring to "pretransaction career expectations" as the relevant benchmark for measuring each group's gain from the transaction. The concept of preserving the pre-transaction career expectations or "pre-merger career paths" of both pilot groups was a guiding principle in the development of Supplement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> The AA analyst presentation states that the transaction will "create[] growth opportunities for employees" (ALPA 018772) and that "[r]evenue synergies are expected to generate \$400-\$500 million annually on a steady state basis" (ALPA 018785).

CC.<sup>52</sup> As the APA stated at the time: "Throughout this entire process, the M&A Committee, under the direction of the APA Board of Directors, has operated under one central principle: to protect the pre-merger career paths of <u>all</u> pilots concerned with the integration." And Plaintiffs' experts acknowledge that seniority integrations typically attempt to preserve the pre-transaction career expectations of each pilot group<sup>54</sup>—even though, as discussed below, both Mr. Salamat and Professor Farber propose hypothetical seniority lists that violate this principle.

38. In early 2001, American was a successful and profitable airline.<sup>55</sup> Any proposed seniority list that would make the American pilots worse off than they expected to be without the TWA asset acquisition is unreasonable and inconsistent with the economics of bargaining because the American pilots would never be expected to agree to such a list. This is particularly true given that the TWA pilots stood to benefit substantially from the transaction, and that the American pilots had the contractual right to unilaterally staple the TWA pilots to the bottom of the merged seniority list.

<sup>52 &</sup>quot;Strictly applied. Section 13 of

<sup>52 &</sup>quot;Strictly applied, Section 13 of the Green Book would result in the TWA pilots accumulating seniority from the time they first are assigned to revenue flying duty with American, whenever that time might come." APA Summary of Supplement CC, at ALPA 008748. However, as Ed White testified, "[i]nstead, [the] APA strove for a seniority integration that fairly reflected each group's pre-transaction career expectations" and "[t]he seniority integration was not pulled from a hat; nor was it a thinly veiled attempt to disadvantage the TWA pilots. It was, in fact, based on extensive analysis of the two carriers and the pilot groups involved, including a complex and carefully developed 'career path' methodology - derived substantially from a methodology proposed by the TWA pilots themselves-designed to reflect accurately each group's career expectations at the time of the asset purchase" (Written Testimony of Captain Edwin C. White, Jr. Before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions United States Senate Hearing on the TWA/American Airlines Workforce Integration June 12, 2003 ("White Testimony"), p. 4.)

53 Summary of Supplement CC at 3 (ALPA 008748); see also discussion memorialized in Hefley notes ("Jim B: So the challenge is to construct an integrated list that does not impede a pilots progression through the list. The other part of it is how do you provide for the TWA pilots' expectancies in the process? Ed [White]: You have to look at the pre-merger expectations and take them into account") (ALPA 004902).

<sup>54 &</sup>quot;Differing career opportunities, however, have certainly played a role in the construction of lists. The amount of 'premium' work, such as wide-body captaincies, aircraft on order, airline growth and quality of work all play some role in virtually every merger and it is not uncommon for one party to argue that its pilots should be granted a seniority premium to reflect the 'better opportunities' they bring and that the other party will have a chance to share in" (Salamat Original Report at 30); when asked at his deposition whether he had "seen in your work that, in evaluating the fairness of seniority integration lists that people look to, whether the integrated list preserves the pre-transaction career expectations of each pilot group?" Mr. Salamat responded that "That – that would be common in – in mergers that people do that, yes" (Salamat Dep. 1/29/13 at 73:9-15); "Arbitrators commonly consider a number of factors. One constant is that they attempt to preserve the pre-transaction relative ranks of the pilots on the pre-transaction seniority lists" (Farber Report \$\frac{1}{27}\$).

<sup>55 &</sup>quot;AMR's net earnings in 2000 were \$813 million;" "AMR's net earnings in 1999 were \$985 million" (AMR Corporation Form 10-K at 10). American noted, however, that it "is cautious in its outlook for 2001. On the revenue front, the primary concern is a slowing U.S. economy. American's strong revenue performance the past several years was marked by a growing U.S. economy coupled with a modest increase in industry capacity. Our revenue performance in 2001 will be dictated by how well the industry manages that relationship going forward" (AMR 2000 10-K at 24).

- 39. In contrast, TWA was in severe financial trouble when it agreed to the asset acquisition by American. Other ALPA experts, as well as former TWA management, have opined that as of late 2000, TWA faced imminent liquidation. It was on the verge of running out of cash to keep operating, and did not have any other acquisition offer for all or part of the airline (as an operating business) or a financing proposal that would have enabled it to remain independent. It thus is reasonable to assume that, absent the transaction, TWA would have liquidated, and its pilots would have lost their jobs. If the pilots found employment at other airlines, they likely would have earned less than at American and been at the bottom of the seniority list, because airline/union collective bargaining agreements typically required that new hires be placed at the bottom of the seniority list, regardless of prior flying experience. S7
- 40. At the time the pilot groups were negotiating the seniority integration, the TWA pilots' bargaining position also reflected the fact that they could not force the American pilots to submit to arbitration, given the APA's collective bargaining agreement with American. (This means, as discussed below, that Professor Farber's and Mr. Salamat's focus on comparing Supplement CC to arbitrators' seniority integration decisions in other transactions is misguided.)
- 41. For purposes of my analysis, I take the fallback payoff for the American pilots to be their pre-transaction career expectations. That is the baseline from which they started the negotiations before the transaction had closed, and they had no incentive to take less than that amount after the transaction had closed.
- 42. For the TWA pilots, the analysis is more complex because their fallback payoff likely evolved over time. At the time the transaction was negotiated and agreed upon by TWA and American, and the TWA pilots agreed to waive scope as required by the Asset Purchase Agreement, the fallback payoff for the TWA pilots, like that for the American pilots, was based on their pre-transaction career expectations. For the TWA pilots, this reflected the consequences of liquidation of their airline. Once the transaction between American and TWA had closed and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Feltman Report at 4-5; Levine Report at 6-7; Compton Dep. 1/18/2013 at 25:16-23; "Effects of the American Airlines/TWA Transaction and Other Airline Industry Consolidation on Competition and the Consumer," Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, February 1, 2001, Prepared Statement Donald Carty, Chairman, President, and CEO, American Airlines, pp. 20-22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> "Virtually without exception, union contracts in the airline industry provide that a new employee, even one with considerable seniority at a prior employer, starts over at the bottom of the new employer's seniority list" (White Testimony, p. 3).

American had committed to doing the deal, the fallback payoff for the TWA pilots likely improved, because now their worst possible outcome was to be stapled at the bottom of the merged airline's seniority list. That improvement in fallback payoff was obtained at the cost of agreeing to waive scope. In contrast, the American pilots retained the protections in their CBA that effectively allowed them to determine the integrated seniority list unilaterally.

- 43. For purposes of my analysis, I consider two alternatives for the TWA pilots' fallback payoff. In one, I assume that the fallback payoff for the TWA pilots is determined by their pretransaction career expectations. I approximate this by using the value the TWA pilots would receive if they were stapled at the bottom of the American seniority list and did not receive the benefit of American's higher level of pay (i.e., they continue to receive the pay rates I estimate they received at TWA).<sup>58</sup> In the second, I assume the same placement at the bottom of the seniority list but assume that the TWA pilots would receive American pay rates. This more closely approximates the worst-case scenario for the TWA pilots after the transaction had closed.
- 44. American's decision to go forward with the transaction, which generated the higher fallback payoff for the TWA pilots, also increased further the American pilots' bargaining power in the seniority negotiations by requiring the TWA pilots to waive scope, thereby giving the American pilots the right to impose a seniority list.

#### 2. The Value to be Shared between the Parties

- 45. The second input needed to understand the likely outcome of bargaining between the two pilot groups is the amount of value available for them to share if they reach agreement.
- 46. American's acquisition of TWA's assets allowed TWA's operations (including pilots) to continue,<sup>59</sup> which provided many benefits to the TWA pilots. First, they were able to keep their jobs and continue flying. Second, whether merged with the American pilots or even stapled to the bottom of American's seniority list, they maintained at least some seniority status (rather

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> However, as I explain below, I do not assume that the lower pay rate would be stagnant, but instead assume that pay for TWA pilots would gradually converge to the level of the American pilots over time. I estimate the rate of convergence based on the regression to the mean observed in the average salaries of the legacy airlines between 1990 and 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34; Levine Report at 23-24.

than starting at the bottom of another airline's seniority list or being unemployed). Third, they joined an airline that was financially healthy at the time and expected to grow. <sup>60</sup>

- 47. The TWA pilots also benefited from the improved pay rates and benefits available at American, which were better than those at TWA and better than the pay available at many other carriers where those pilots might have sought employment.<sup>61</sup> The TWA pilots moved to the American pay rates by January 1, 2002.<sup>62</sup> As shown in Exhibit 4, the pay scale for American pilots was more than 40 percent higher than that of TWA for the three plane types that both carriers operated, as well as overall. When adjusted for differences in the maximum flying hours per month under the TWA and American Collective Bargaining Agreements ("CBAs"), the difference is smaller, because the TWA pilots were permitted to fly more hours (see Exhibit 5). Thus, TWA pilots could expect to earn approximately 30 percent more flying for American than they did at TWA.
- 48. But for the American acquisition, the TWA pilots would have had to seek employment at other airlines where, if they were offered a job at all, they likely would have been at the bottom of an airline's seniority list. And, as shown in Exhibits 6.A, 6.B and 6.C, even for comparable positions, pay rates at many other airlines were lower than those of TWA at the end of 2000 (and were also considerably lower than those of American). In addition, the TWA pilots received higher compensation at American since they were given credit for years at TWA in the American transaction, but generally would not have received longevity credit for pay scale purposes at other airlines.<sup>63</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> "Climbing Back to Altitude: A Commerce Magazine Conversation with American Airlines CEO Gerard Arpey," August 2004 (<a href="http://www.stlcommercemagazine.com/archives/august2004/altitude.html">http://www.stlcommercemagazine.com/archives/august2004/altitude.html</a>).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> For example, Captain John Darrah, APA's president, wrote on March 23, 2001 that "[b]y AMR's own numbers, the medical and dental liabilities for TWA employees and retirees [provided by AMR] total more than \$509 million" (J-294 (ALPA 021052)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Letter from Don Carty, AA to Bill Compton, TWA on March 6, 2001 (D-211, Ex. G) ("TWA-LLC will utilize these pay rates and benefits until TWA-LLC transitions the employees to American pay rates and benefits, which will be effective no later than January 1, 2002."). *See also*, Hayes Dep. 1/28/2013 at 57:8-19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> "Virtually without exception, union contracts in the airline industry provide that a new employee, even one with considerable seniority at a prior employer, starts over at the bottom of the new employer's seniority list" (Written Testimony of Captain Edwin C. White, Jr. Before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions United States Senate Hearing on the TWA/American Airlines Workforce Integration June 12, 2003, p. 3).

- 49. The mitigation data offered by Mr. Salamat provides confirmatory evidence (retrospective rather than prospective) about the TWA pilots' prospects in the event that the transaction with American did not occur.
- 50. Thus, at the time of the transaction, the TWA pilots could expect the asset acquisition by American to provide employment for virtually all TWA pilots at wages and other benefits that were substantially better than they had been receiving at TWA. This was conveyed by American's leadership when it announced the acquisition and explained why it was purchasing the TWA assets and offering employment to virtually all TWA employees. By the time negotiations between the pilot groups broke down and the APA and American agreed on Supplement CC, the prospects available to the TWA pilots without the acquisition by American likely were even more dire than when the negotiations began, although conditions at American likely were worse as well. 65

#### 3. The Parties' Relative Bargaining Positions

51. If there is no information that suggests that one party has an advantage over the other in the negotiations, then it is reasonable to assume that the parties will split the gains approximately evenly.<sup>66</sup> However, when the bargaining positions of the two parties clearly are unequal, this

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> American Airlines 8-K, January 10, 2001. *See also* "Effects of the American Airlines/TWA Transaction and Other Airline Industry Consolidation on Competition and the Consumer," Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation. February 1, 2001, Prepared Statement Donald Carty, Chairman, President, and CEO, American Airlines, pp. 20-22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> American also may have brought additional value that was contingent on the merger – a certain amount of furlough protection and other benefits. In July 2001, American and the APA agreed to a Transition Agreement which included an "Agreement Prohibiting the Leveraging of TWA LLC Against the APA" (Transition Agreement between American Airlines, Inc. and Allied Pilots Association Representing The Pilots of American Airlines, Inc., July 10, 2001 at ALPA 009855). This furlough protection was short-lived, because on September 20, 2001, American declared "force majeure" because of reduced demand caused by 9-11 (APA Information Hotline for September 20, 2001 (ALPA 009526-8)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> Nash, John F. "The bargaining problem." Econometrica, vol. 18, issue 2 (1950), pp. 155-162. *See*, also, Memorandum Opinion and Order In the Matter of Applications for Consent to the Assignment and/or Transfer of Control of Licenses Adelphia Communications Corporation (and subsidiaries, debtors-in-possession), Assigners, to Time Warner Cable Inc. (subsidiaries), Assignees, adopted July 13, 2006, Appendix D at 8 ("[T]hroughout our analysis, we adopt a standard solution to bargaining games by assuming that the parties split the gains from trade ( $\gamma 0 = \gamma 1 = 0.5$ )" (i.e., equally). *See*, also, Baker (2011): "the Commission relied on evidence from a recent academic study to conclude that the joint venture would have roughly equal bargaining skill or patience as MVPDs other than Comcast (specifically satellite and telephone company providers) when negotiating over cable programming. When the bargaining skill is even, the Nash model implies that any increase in the cost to Comcast of providing the programming to an MVPD would be expected to raise the negotiated price by half the cost increase" (at 40, citing Ali Yurukoglu, Bundling and Vertical Relationships in Multichannel Television, NYU Stern (2008) at 48, available at http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~ayurukog/multichannel vertical.pdf).

assumption is unreasonable. For example, when one party has the right to set the terms and can make a take-it-or-leave-it offer to the other, then the first party will obtain a larger share, and perhaps all, of the gains absent other considerations. This unequal distribution of bargaining positions is more consistent with the situation here, because the American pilots' contract effectively gave them the right to determine the seniority integration outcome unilaterally, and to place all TWA pilots at the bottom of the seniority list, if they chose to do so.

52. In a letter to American pilots that accompanied the summary of Supplement CC provided by the APA's Mergers & Acquisitions Committee to the APA's membership, John Darrah, the President of the APA, explained why APA's M&A Committee and the APA Board decided not to strictly apply the terms of the APA's collective bargaining agreement to the integration of the TWA pilots and place all of the TWA pilots at the bottom of the seniority list. The identified reasons include consideration of "sustainable" assets that TWA brought, <sup>67</sup> its "long history as a major domestic and international Carrier," and concerns about the future relationship with the TWA pilots <sup>68</sup> and the potential for costly litigation <sup>69</sup> if the resulting merged seniority list did not provide some benefits for the TWA pilots. He explained that "[t]hroughout his entire process, the M&A Committee. . . has operated under one central principle: to protect the pre-merger career path of all pilots concerned with the integration."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, p. 3 (ALPA 008748) ("TWA brings to the table a large pilot base (St. Louis) and a number of aircraft and Captains positions that were not previously contemplated at a pre-transaction American").
<sup>68</sup> According to the Summary of Supplement CC. "Once the integration is complete, [the TWA] pilots will not be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> According to the Summary of Supplement CC, "Once the integration is complete, [the TWA] pilots will not be "them" but part of "us"— American Airlines pilots. These former TWA pilots will become our friends and neighbors. We will all be wearing the same uniforms, flying in the same cockpits and working toward the same goal – making American the most successful airline in the world and making the job of an American pilot the best pilot job in the world. These are obviously difficult times, and the future will present us with many difficult challenges. We must work together to face the new challenges in front of us in a changing world and a changing industry. Once the dust of the integration settles and the inevitable resentments on both sides of the house dissipate, all of us as AA pilots will need to act as a unified force" (p. 4 (ALPA 008749)).

<sup>69</sup> "[B]oth the M&A Committee and the APA Board have been keenly aware throughout this long process that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> "[B]oth the M&A Committee and the APA Board have been keenly aware throughout this long process that virtually no pilot integration goes without challenge in the legal system. . . . It would be a disservice to all of you [APA members] if we devised an integration that would give the AA pilots all of the benefits and would make you feel good now, but could be vulnerable to such a challenge. Thus, while your representatives have worked literally thousands of hours to devise an integration method that will stand the test of time, they have also worked to devise a method that will stand the test of litigation, if necessary." [APA Summary of Supplement CC at p. 4 (ALPA 008749)]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, p. 3 (ALPA 008748).

- 53. Economics provides a way to use the above considerations to determine whether any proposed seniority list is a reasonable outcome of negotiations between the TWA and American pilots. In particular:
  - a) Neither pilot group should be made worse off under the integrated list than it would have been if there were no agreement.
  - b) The seniority list should not be designed in such a way that the TWA pilots disproportionately benefit from that list. Given the other benefits received by the TWA pilots, in particular higher pay and continued employment, and the fact that the American pilots did not obtain other benefits from the transaction, the benefits of the seniority list integration should favor the American pilots.
  - c) In evaluating the split of value between the two groups, all of the benefits provided to each party should be considered, because these considerations likely would have affected the pilots' positions on other issues. This includes the pay rate increase and improved benefits that TWA pilots obtained through the acquisition. Even if none of the other value of the transaction were shared with the TWA pilots, they still benefited from the merger by obtaining better pay rates, pensions and an expectation of greater job security.

#### B. Applying the Economic framework to Evaluate a Proposed Seniority List

- 54. Economics predicts that, if the parties successfully reached agreement, the merged seniority list would have the following three features:
- 55. First, both pilot groups would expect to be better off relative to their pre-transaction career expectations. Here, even if all the TWA pilots were stapled at the bottom of the American seniority list, they would have expected to gain relative to their pre-transaction career path through additional compensation by being paid at the American pay rates and being employed by an ongoing airline.
- 56. Second, the merged seniority list would favor the American pilots. The American pilots expected no gain in compensation as a result of the transaction and already were part of a successful airline. Therefore, the merged list had to preserve their pre-transaction career

expectations and reduce their expectations of furlough in the event of a downturn that resulted in downsizing the airline.

- 57. Third, since the American pilots had a better bargaining position as pilots of the acquiring airline and through their contract protections, we would expect that, all else equal, the American pilots would gain more from the list than the TWA pilots.
- 58. I now evaluate the various hypothetical seniority lists that Plaintiffs' experts propose as potential outcomes of the negotiations if ALPA had fulfilled its duty, which they claim it did not do, by applying the economics of bargaining. I take into account the parties' reasonable expectations given the uncertainty that existed at the time of the negotiations about the future for the merged airline. I also examine how the two pilot groups fared given the evolution of the industry and American Airlines after implementation of the seniority list.

#### 1. Prospective Evaluation

- 59. Parties negotiate without knowing how they will fare in the future under a specific agreement. They develop positions based on their expectations about the future, and they bargain over how to split the gains given expectations about their alternatives and the size of the gains that they anticipate their agreement will yield. As I discussed above in Section IV.B, in order to understand whether a hypothetical negotiated outcome is reasonable, it must be evaluated in light of the parties' expectations at the time they negotiated (i.e., prospectively), not under the conditions known with hindsight. Therefore, to the extent possible, I evaluate hypothetical seniority lists using data and information that was available when the two groups of pilots negotiated the integration, which I call Prospective Evaluation. I consider how each seniority list proposed by Plaintiffs' experts, as well as Supplement CC, would be expected to affect the pilots' career path relative to their expectations without an agreement, given reasonable forecasts of future demand for pilots and flying activity at the merged carrier. The key features of this evaluation are that it is based on information available to the parties at the time of the negotiations as well the inherent uncertainty about future outcomes.
- 60. Events after American agreed to acquire the TWA assets show why it is important to take into account the uncertainty associated with the airline industry and the employment prospects for pilots when considering what agreement the pilot groups would have reached. The outlook for American at the time of the transaction was very positive indeed, American hired hundreds

of new pilots after April 10, 2001.<sup>71</sup> However, after American decided to acquire TWA, the fortunes of American and its pilots declined. In particular, the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 and the subsequent general economic downturn and reduction in demand for air travel reduced American's fleet and pilot requirements and resulted in furloughing of pilots.<sup>72</sup> While there were some furloughs at the end of 2001, Exhibit 7 shows that the majority of the furloughs started in 2003 and that the number of furloughs remained high for several years.

61. The risk of furlough was an important consideration for the two pilot groups when they were negotiating the seniority list, but the actual magnitude of future furloughs was unanticipated. As American's former CEO, Gerard J. Arpey, later explained:

As we started 2001, business travel was booming—so much so that we were in danger at American of maxing out our two mid-continent hubs at Dallas/Fort Worth and Chicago. Adding the St. Louis hub in that environment seemed to make sense—not just because it enabled us to grow, but because it let us expand without disrupting the overall supply and demand equilibrium in the industry.

By mid 2001, however, business travel was slowing pretty dramatically. Then came 9/11 and suddenly nobody wanted to fly. We had to make thousands of tough decisions on the fly, just to stay in business. We continued the hard work of integrating TWA, because at that time we still thought an efficient connecting hub in St. Louis could be a profitable addition to our network. Our people—both at American and TWA—did a heroic job. However, the economics of our business continued to deteriorate. We barely escaped bankruptcy a year ago, and in the aftermath of that escape we had to make some even tougher decisions. One of our most difficult realizations was that—in the course of two years—a connecting hub in St. Louis had gone from something we thought we needed to something we could no longer afford.<sup>73</sup>

62. The role of expectations about future adverse events is evident in the American pilots' perspective that, for them:

seniority integration with the TWA pilots largely involves risks rather than benefits. Integrating TWA pilots into the AA seniority list will ultimately benefit the AA pilots only to the extent that the combined airline grows beyond what American could have

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> FARBER-000655.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> See, e.g., APA Information Hotline, September 19, 2001, at P06456 (discussing "briefing by [AA] CEO Don Carty regarding management's plans to reducing staffing by at least 20,000 employees"); APA Information Hotline, September 20, 2001, at ALPA 009526 ("I have the extremely unpleasant task of sharing information regarding management's intention to issue furlough notices to 386 American Airlines pilots effective October 1 [, 2001]").

<sup>73</sup> "Climbing Back to Altitude: A Commerce Magazine Conversation with American Airlines CEO Gerard Arpey," August 2004 (<a href="http://www.stlcommercemagazine.com/archives/august2004/altitude.html">http://www.stlcommercemagazine.com/archives/august2004/altitude.html</a>).

expected absent the transaction. The AA pilots' experience with the prior acquisitions of Air Cal and Reno have taught that this is, at best, unpredictable.

Accordingly, as the pilots of the carrier acquiring assets from a bankrupt airline, the AA pilots are entitled to expect that, to the extent that a pilot's placement on the list will impose risks based on unpredictable future events, the list will be constructed to minimize those risks for the AA pilots. The TWA pilots – whose carrier was bankrupt and nearly defunct, and who have already reaped most of the benefits of the transaction – should fairly bear much of the future risk that goes with those benefits.<sup>74</sup>

#### 2. Evaluation with Hindsight

- 63. An alternative evaluation of the gains to the two groups of pilots from a seniority list incorporates information about outcomes after the integration, and compares that outcome with an estimate of how the parties would have done if they had not reached agreement. I refer to this approach as "Evaluation with Hindsight." This approach is less informed by the economics of bargaining than Prospective Evaluation, because it uses information that is not available to the parties at the time of their negotiations. It also gives no credit to expected outcomes under different states of the world, even though parties attempt to anticipate various possible future contingencies when deciding how to trade-off contract provisions that may be valuable under some future circumstances but not under others.
- 64. Given that the combined airline fared less well than was expected at the time of the transaction, Evaluation with Hindsight will tend to overestimate the expected gains received by the American pilots by making the implicit furlough protection afforded by the integration appear to be more valuable after the fact than the pilots would have expected it to be prospectively. While 9-11 occurred before the APA Board approved Supplement CC on November 7, 2001, the substantial furloughs that started in earnest in 2003, when American was talking about the possibility of filing for bankruptcy, were not anticipated at that time. As a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Summary of Supplement CC, p. 14 (ALPA 008759).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> "The three major unions at American Airlines said yesterday that they would conclude voting on concessions by this morning and try to get results to the company before 11 a.m. in Texas. That is the deadline that American, based in Fort Worth, Tex., has set to get a vote tally. If the votes are not counted by then, or if any labor group votes down concessions, then the company will file for bankruptcy-court protection "very soon," said Bruce Hicks, a company spokesman" ("American Airlines Unions Vote Today on Concessions," New York Times, April 15, 2003 (<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2003/04/15/business/american-airlines-unions-vote-today-on-concessions.html">http://www.nytimes.com/2003/04/15/business/american-airlines-unions-vote-today-on-concessions.html</a>)). In its 1Q2003 10-Q, American stated that "Even with the Modified Labor Agreements, the savings from Management Reductions and the Vendor Agreements, the Company may nonetheless need to initiate a filing under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (a Chapter 11 filing) because its financial condition will remain weak and its prospects uncertain" (American Airlines Corporation Form 10-Q For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2003 at 5).

result, the full extent of the furlough-related gains to the American pilots also were not anticipated at that time.

#### 3. Methodology for Implementing the Evaluations

- I evaluate the seniority lists at issue as follows:<sup>76</sup> 65.
- 66. First, I quantify the expected earnings (including pension) of both groups of pilots under the assumption that, if there were no agreement on a merged seniority list after the TWA assets were acquired by American, the TWA pilots would have been stapled at the bottom of the seniority list. In my first alternative, I attempt to approximate the TWA pilots' pre-transaction career expectations. Those expectations would reflect the fact that, absent the transaction, TWA would have liquidated. As discussed above. I approximate this outcome by stapling the TWA pilots at the bottom of the merged seniority list and assuming that they would initially receive the same pay rates as they received at TWA before the transaction, but that their pay rates would gradually converge to rates equivalent to American pay rates over time. In my second set of calculations, I assume an alternative for the TWA pilots better than their pre-transaction career expectations – that while all the TWA pilots would still be stapled at the bottom of the seniority list, because they were employed by American, they would be entitled to the same pay rates as the American pilots. This outcome is better than their pre-transaction career expectations, and recognizes that the asset acquisition was completed by the time that most of the negotiations occurred. The American pilots could have stapled all the TWA pilots at the bottom of the seniority list, but I assume that, by the time Supplement CC was adopted, they could not deny the TWA pilots the American pay rates, pension and other benefits.
- 67. Second, I evaluate the expected earnings (including pension) of both pilot groups under the two scenarios (prospective and hindsight) outlined above. For the Prospective Evaluation, I perform computer simulations in which I "draw" from a distribution of possible outcomes for the airline's monthly growth. I calibrate this growth distribution to have expected zero growth (i.e., the expected future size of the airline remains the same as it was in April 2002), and annual growth variance equal to the variance of the annual growth rate (in number of working pilots) of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> In my evaluations, I use inputs and assumptions from Mr. Salamat's analysis, such as his income schedules and classification of pilots as "voluntarily furloughed." <sup>77</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34; Levine Report at 23-24.

the major network airlines between 1990 and 2011.<sup>78</sup> I perform 500 simulations to obtain 500 separate simulated airline paths between April 2002 and December 2040.<sup>79</sup> For each path, I calculate the gains for American and TWA pilots that a given scenario (e.g., Supplement CC) would give them over their respective alternative scenarios: "no acquisition" for American pilots and "all stapled" for TWA pilots (quantifying the gains for the alternative in which the TWA pilots immediately receive the American pay rates and the alternative in which they do not). I then average the 500 outcomes and calculate the split of the expected gains. This provides an expected split of the gains given the uncertainty about how the future would evolve for the merged carrier. For the Evaluation with Hindsight, I calculate the split of gains implied by the list being evaluated and the actual history of American and TWA pilots until 2012. For the period after June 2012, I use an estimate of available jobs based on airline size in June 2012.<sup>80</sup>

68. Third, for each pilot group, I calculate the difference between the expected earnings under its fallback payoff and the earnings under the seniority list being evaluated. I sum up these differences separately for the American and TWA pilots over a specified time period (through 2026 for the Evaluation with Hindsight, which is the final year included in Mr. Salamat's damages calculations, and through 2040 for the Prospective Evaluation, because this is the year that the last pilot would have had to retire). For each pilot group, I calculate the total amount of gains that would have been received under the hypothesized negotiated list relative to the "no negotiated agreement" outcome as a share of the combined gains (total gains to the American pilots plus total gains to the TWA pilots). This shows how, under the hypothesized list, the gains from reaching a negotiated agreement would have been split between the two pilot groups.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> Research and Innovative Technology Administration Bureau of Transportation Statistics: Air Carrier Financial: Schedule P-10. This table includes annual employee statistics by labor category. We used 'Pilots and CoPilots' by carrier for 1990 to 2011. We included American, Continental, Delta, Northwest, TWA, United and US Airways and excluded years with major mergers. We calculated the change in pilots from year to year as log(pilots (t-1) / pilots) and calculated the standard deviation of this growth rate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> I extend the simulation to December 2040 to allow for all pilots on the Supplement CC seniority list to reach retirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> All my analyses begin with data from April 2002 (the data as compiled by Mr. Salamat), because these are the earliest data available to me.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> I am concerned only with the aggregate number for purposes of understanding whether a hypothetical seniority list is reasonable, so I aggregate over individual differences that may be negative.

My analysis is intended to measure the pilots' expectations when they were negotiating in 2001,<sup>82</sup> and to evaluate Supplement CC as well as the hypothetical seniority lists proposed by Plaintiffs' experts in light of how they would affect the pilots' expected future earnings while employed at American. Therefore, it is important to discount future earnings appropriately. Employment at a major airline is uncertain, as the histories of TWA and American make clear, so pilots would not value \$50,000 in additional nominal earnings in 2013 as much as \$50,000 in additional nominal earnings in 2003. Because I value the surplus in 2013, but am measuring the expected future earnings as of the time of the negotiations, I bring forward past earnings and discount future earnings using American's Weighted Cost of Capital ("WACC"), which reflects the riskiness of the carrier as reflected in its cost of obtaining funds.<sup>83</sup> Businesses often use their WACC when analyzing the expected return (or discounted cash flows) from investments.<sup>84</sup> Indeed, firms (and I understand American) commonly use WACC to evaluate the profitability of investments and make other business planning decisions.<sup>85</sup>

#### C. Summary

70. The proper way to evaluate whether a hypothetical seniority list is consistent with the economics of bargaining is to take into account only the parties' expectations at the time of the negotiations, rather than rely on information that was not available to the parties when they negotiated. This is a Prospective Evaluation. The reasonableness of a hypothetical list depends on how, when they were negotiating, the parties would have expected to fare compared with the outcome if they did not reach agreement. This evaluation would take into account uncertainty about how the airline would do in the future – the possibility of both good and bad outcomes. In other words, it would reflect the values each party would receive given its expected opportunities under the variety of potential demand conditions for American's services – the benefits received if the airline expands and benefits received if the airline contracts, weighted by the likelihood that alternative scenarios will occur. Evaluation with Hindsight is less reliable for evaluating

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> As noted, I use data beginning in April 2002 for my evaluation, because earlier data were not available to me.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> Franklin M. Fisher and R. Craig Romaine, "Janis Joplin's Yearbook and the Theory of Damages," 5 J. Accounting, Auditing and Finance (Winter/Spring 1990), pp. 145, 149-51. See also Lanzilloti and Esquibel, "Measuring Damages in Commercial Litigation: Present Value of Lost Opportunities," J. Accounting, Auditing & Finance (1990), pp. 125, 130, 132.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>84</sup> Valuation and Managing the Value of Companies at p 106, Tim Koller, Marc Goedhart and David Wessels, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. at 101.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> See Agreement between American Airlines, Inc. and The Air Lines Pilots in the service of American Airlines, Inc. as represented by the Allied Pilots Association, May 5, 1997, pp. 1-2, 1-3, 1-7 (J-324).

whether a hypothetical seniority list would be a reasonable negotiated outcome. Nevertheless, I have evaluated Supplement CC and the hypothetical seniority lists proposed by Plaintiffs' experts under both approaches. This makes it easier to compare these results to those of Mr. Salamat who relied only on hindsight.

### V. SUPPLEMENT CC IS A REASONABLE OUTCOME FOR THE TWA PILOTS GIVEN THE ECONOMICS OF BARGAINING

- 71. The information available to me limits the starting point of my analysis of Supplement CC to April 2002. Based on the size of the airline that was expected at the time of the transaction which would include American's existing planes, American planes on order, and TWA planes that were acquired with the transaction I calculate the share of jobs attributable to TWA planes. In April 2002, there were 10,548 working American pilots and 1,799 working TWA pilots. TWA pilots.
- 72. I derive the expected outcome for American as a stand-alone company (without the transaction) by eliminating the jobs attributed to the TWA planes and eliminating the TWA pilots. This scenario reflects the career expectations of the American pilots absent the transaction. I approximate the no-transaction alternative for the TWA pilots by evaluating what they would have received if they were at the bottom of the list of the combined airline in my simulation without the benefit of other protections received as part of Supplement CC such as the St. Louis fence. This essentially gives the TWA pilots property rights over the net jobs contributed to the merger by TWA by allowing them to fill these jobs rather than be furloughed. I evaluate two alternatives one in which I assume the TWA pilots would immediately receive American's pay rates, and another in which I assume that the TWA pilots would initially receive the same pay rates as I estimate they were receiving at TWA before the transaction and then gradually would converge to American pay rates over time.<sup>88</sup>
- 73. In order to quantify how Supplement CC compared with the pilots' expected positions, I use the pay schedule that Mr. Salamat calculated for April 2002, restricted to pilots that were actually working as of that date. I also use the pay schedule that Mr. Salamat calculated which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> If they were available, I would use data for the period during which the pilot groups negotiated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> TWA is given credit for CKA/SUPV jobs in this analysis based on their plane share.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> I estimate the rate of convergence based on the regression to the mean observed in the average salaries of the legacy airlines between 1990 and 2010.

assumes that TWA pilots are able to bid for jobs flying large wide-body aircraft, but only after the last American pilot is estimated to reach that milestone. <sup>89</sup>

- 74. I allow the size of the airline (i.e., the number of pilot jobs) to grow or shrink over time based on unpredictable events, which I derive from the distribution of annual growth rates of large U.S. airlines over the 1990-2011 period.<sup>90</sup> It would have been reasonable for the parties to consider at the time they were negotiating that the economy and demand for American's services could evolve in a variety of different ways, and this uncertainty is incorporated in the Prospective Evaluation.
- 75. For Evaluation with Hindsight, I follow the same general methodology, but I adjust the size of the airline to reflect the actual growth experience of the combined entity.
- 76. Exhibit 8.A summarizes how Supplement CC split the gains between the two pilot groups under Prospective Evaluation and Evaluation with Hindsight. Prospective Evaluation excluding the value to the TWA pilots of their increased pay shows that the TWA pilots received 48 percent of the total gains, or 4.5 times more than the American pilots, on a per pilot basis; the TWA pilots still received about three times more per pilot than the American pilots when evaluated under hindsight. Prospective Evaluation including the value to the TWA pilots of their increased pay shows that the TWA pilots received roughly 60 percent of the gains. The greater share for the TWA pilots under this second calculation (which includes the value of higher pay) reflects the fact that the gains to the American pilots are the same in the two cases, while the benefits to the TWA pilots increase by the amount of the higher pay. These outcomes are consistent with bargaining theory; they imply that the TWA pilots were able to obtain a substantial share of the overall benefits and an even greater share of the benefits when measured on a per-pilot basis, given there were about five times as many American as TWA pilots. The results without accounting for the higher pay imply that the American pilots received slightly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> I assume real wage growth of 1.2 percent annually based on "The Long-Range Economic Assumptions for the 2012 Trustees Report," Office of the Chief Actuary Social Security Administration, April 23, 2012, Table 3.1. <sup>90</sup> I use data from Research and Innovative Technology Administration Bureau of Transportation Statistics: Air Carrier Financial: Schedule P-10. This table includes annual employee statistics by labor category. I use the category "Pilots and CoPilots." I include American, Continental, Delta, Northwest, TWA, United and US Airways and exclude years with major mergers. I calculate the change in pilots from year to year as log(pilots (t-1) / pilots), and calculate the standard deviation of this growth rate.

more than half of the benefits from the seniority list integration. This is consistent with bargaining theory given their superior bargaining position.

- 77. The difference between the results for the Prospective and Hindsight Evaluations reflects the impact of 9-11 and the subsequent economic downturn that resulted in extensive furloughs at American that continued for several years. The large and extended impact on American's demand for services of pilots was not anticipated when American agreed to purchase the TWA assets, when the parties were negotiating, or even at the time that the APA developed and American approved Supplement CC.<sup>91</sup>
- As a consequence of the reduction in American's operations, the American pilots benefited from the implicit furlough protection provided by the integration of the TWA pilots under Supplement CC. Many TWA pilots remained furloughed for several years, which meant that they did not benefit from the higher pay rates and other benefits that the merger provided to the working pilots. The consequence is that, when evaluated with hindsight, the American pilots obtained 58 percent of the total gains when I include the value to the TWA pilots of their increased pay, and 63 percent of the total gains when I exclude the value to the TWA pilots of their increased pay. These are larger fractions of the benefits of the merger than would have been expected when Supplement CC was developed.

## VI. MR. SALAMAT'S HYPOTHETICAL SENIORITY LISTS ARE NOT REASONABLE AND HIS ANALYSIS SUFFERS FROM A VARIETY OF OTHER FLAWS

#### A. Summary of Mr. Salamat's Opinions

79. According to Mr. Salamat, ALPA's failure to take certain actions in representing the TWA pilots was "a problem of increased uncertainty" that requires "estimating how the parties, as agents, would have responded and ultimately decided given that uncertainty." He claims that "[f]rom the point of view of the TWA pilots, there were a range of possible outcomes ranging from the least desirable, a list just slightly better than Supplement CC, to an upper limit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> Darrah Dep. 11/29/2012 at 56:8-56:16 ("And that was my honest understanding of where we were as an airline at that point because nobody could have predicted 9-11. Nobody could have predicted an economic recession that almost turned into a depression, SARS, gas prices and all those things. So to your answer, yes, we — we fully predicted our thought that this airline was going to continue to grow and this thing was going to work out great for everybody.")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> Salamat Original Report at 2.

which is defined as the list an arbitrator would most likely have imposed."<sup>93</sup> He says that his task is to "estimate as accurately as possible where in that range an agreement between the TWA pilots and the APA would have fallen given effective representation by ALPA."<sup>94</sup> Mr. Salamat's analysis has three distinct parts.

#### Quantifying the Probability that ALPA Actions would Achieve a Different Seniority List

- 80. First, Mr. Salamat claims to develop a "theoretical framework" for "estimating the possible results of the actions ALPA did not employ in representing the TWA pilots." He identifies various actions that ALPA could have taken, the success of which he says "is for others to estimate." Yet he then provides his own estimates of how they would have affected the negotiations. To each of these hypothetical actions he assigns a percentage that he claims reflects the probability that the action, by itself, would have affected (1) the importance that APA placed on an issue, (2) the probability that it would have caused a change in the APA's "perception" of the TWA pilots, and (3) the likelihood that the APA would have abandoned a particular goal.
- 81. Mr. Salamat acknowledges that he has no empirical or scientific basis for the probabilities he assigns to the various actions he claims ALPA should have taken. Instead, he makes arbitrary and unfounded assertions about the probability that various actions by ALPA would have affected the three different aspects of the negotiation he identifies importance, perception and goal abandonment. These aspects are purportedly based on Professor Katia Sycara's model on persuasive argumentation, which "posits that, in order to change a persuadee's beliefs to make him/her more amenable to making concessions to reach an agreement, a persuader generates arguments to (i) change the importance of a persuadee's issue/goal, (ii) change the persuadee's perception of an issue's value, and (iii) pursue goal abandonment on the part of the persuadee via threats/promises." Despite admitting he has no

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>93</sup> Salamat Original Report at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> Salamat Original Report at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>95</sup> Salamat Original Report at 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>96</sup> Salamat Original Report at 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> Expert Report of Katia P. Sycara, Ph.D., March 15, 2013 ("Sycara Report") at 4. However, in a report submitted in this matter by Professor Sycara on behalf of ALPA, she explains that "Mr. Salamat has misapplied my theory of persuasive argumentation" (Sycara Report at 2), and that "[h]is report and deposition show multiple points of confusion in his understanding of the underlying concepts and assumptions of my theory." She explains that "Mr. Salamat uses the wrong estimation framework; ignores fundamental assumptions about and preconditions for the

empirical basis for selecting specific percentages, he asserts, for example, that if ALPA had instituted a "jump seat war" – blocking APA pilots from using jump seats (which are ordinarily made available as a matter of course) on airlines whose pilots are represented by ALPA<sup>98</sup> – that action would have had a 3% impact on importance, a 5% impact on perception and a 2% impact on goal abandonment.

- 82. He then combines these empirically ungrounded probabilities by summing across the three potential impacts (on importance, perception and abandonment) and across the various actions he claims ALPA could have taken. From these calculations, he opines that there was a "73% chance of creating an agreement" between APA and ALPA if ALPA had taken all the identified actions. <sup>99</sup>
- 83. At his deposition, Mr. Salamat clarified that his opinion is that, if ALPA had undertaken all of the actions which Plaintiffs claim it had a duty to undertake, there is a 73% probability that the outcome of negotiations between the TWA and American pilots would have been the specific merged seniority list that he refers to as the "DMODEL," and on which he bases his preferred damages calculation. According to Mr. Salamat, this is not the probability of achieving his other alternative seniority lists that he hypothesizes. Mr. Salamat did not provide estimates of the probability that the TWA MEC and the APA would have agreed upon any of his other alternative lists, absent any breach by ALPA.

#### Deriving the But-For Seniority List

84. <u>Second</u>, Mr. Salamat says that he "must estimate what a merged seniority list would have been had ALPA not breached its duty of fair representation." Mr. Salamat derives four alternative seniority lists, which he describes as:

applicability of my model; and attempts to use my model to generate probabilities in contravention of both my own theories and of basic math" (Sycara Report at 11).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>98</sup> ALPA Jumpseat Policy, at ALPA 034148 ("ALPA encourages all pilots to extend the use of their jumpseats to eligible cockpit crewmembers as a professional courtesy . . . Denial of jumpseat privileges as a means of punishing, coercing or retaliating against other pilot groups or individuals is not supported by ALPA.")

<sup>99</sup> Salamat Original Report at 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>100</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 164:11-22; Salamat Dep. 1/30/2013 at 138:22-139:3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>101</sup> Salamat Original Report at 12. According to Mr. Salamat, the merger involved integration of 2,166 TWA pilots with 11,557 American pilots. However, in his preferred list he claims that there are 2,337 TWA pilots.

- a) A "fair" outcome, which he says is based on placing "likes with likes" based on income. As implemented, he merged the pilots by income, implicitly assuming that a "fair" outcome would place each TWA pilot in a position where he or she would earn the same as American pilots in the same seniority "neighborhood" on the list (using "pilots' incomes as they would be if they were all paid at the maximum years of service"). 103
- b) His "best guess" as to what an arbitrator would have awarded, using his qualitative conclusions from reviewing a number of arbitrated and other seniority mergers (the "Arbitrated List"). <sup>104</sup>
- c) A list that arbitrarily shifts 200 TWA pilots from the bottom of the seniority list into the group that was merged with the American pilots by a ratio. According to Mr. Salamat, this list would be "marginally" better than Supplement CC and he therefore refers to it as the "Marginal List." <sup>105</sup>
- d) The "best achievable negotiated list," which he refers to as the Salamat Damages Model or DMODEL.<sup>106</sup> He says that this list is "constructed by reference to the other three [lists]" using Supplement CC as its basis. He characterizes it as "a compromise between the Marginal List and the Arbitrated List." <sup>107</sup>
- 85. I focus my critique of Mr. Salamat's analysis on his proposed Salamat Damages Model, because this is the list that he considers "the likely outcome of a successfully negotiated list," and the only one for which he purports to quantify the probability that it would have been achieved through negotiations if ALPA had undertaken the actions that he claims were required to fulfill its duty of fair representation. The major differences between the Salamat Damages Model list and Supplement CC (and thus the changes in the seniority list that Mr. Salamat claims would have been achieved if ALPA had fulfilled its duty of fair representation) are:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> Salamat Original Report at 18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>103</sup> Salamat Original Report at 18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>104</sup> Salamat Original Report at 14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>105</sup> Salamat Original Report at 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>106</sup> Salamat Original Report at 15. The results of this list cannot be a reasonable estimate of damages, given that this is the "best" that possibly could be achieved under a variety of unrealistic assumptions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>107</sup> Salamat Original Report at 15. Mr. Salamat thus would have to concede that any better list (including his "fair" and arbitrated lists and the lists proposed by Professor Farber) could not have been achieved through negotiations. <sup>108</sup> Salamat Original Report at 36.

- a) The top staple of American pilots would be 2,494 versus 2,596 under Supplement CC;<sup>109</sup>
- b) An additional 778 TWA pilots would have been moved into the merged group (expanding the number of TWA pilots merged after the top 2,494 American pilots from the 1,095 that were merged under Supplement CC to 1,873);<sup>110</sup>
- c) The bottom staple of TWA pilots would be 464<sup>111</sup> (compared with 1,242 under Supplement CC). 112

In deriving the DMODEL as well as his other alternative seniority lists, Mr. Salamat pays no attention to what reasonably was expected by the American pilots, or to how his proposed lists would have affected the benefits (and potentially the harms) to the American pilots. As I explain later in my report, this is a critical error.

#### **Quantifying Damages**

86. Third, Mr. Salamat calculates the damages that he claims the TWA pilots suffered because they were not placed in the proper position on the merged seniority list. He uses a "rolling average" method to "describ[e] the relationship between seniority and income," which he says is the relationship "at the heart of estimating damages to the TWA pilots." Mr. Salamat claims the use of this "rolling average" is necessary because "many pilots do not bid for the highest paying position they could hold, but make tradeoffs between money and lifestyle." Mr. Salamat then estimates damages for two separate time periods: (1) "but-for" income for each TWA pilot during the period for which he has data on the pilot's actual earnings (April 2002-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>109</sup> Salamat Original Report, Figure 10, at 31.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>110</sup> Salamat Original Report at 32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>111</sup> Salamat Original Report, Figure 11, at 32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>112</sup> This bottom staple is inconsistent with the TWA MEC's October offer to staple 597 TWA pilots at the bottom of the merged seniority list (Position Statement of APA, footnote 18, at ALPA 015311).

He also ignores other benefits, such as higher pay, received by the TWA pilots, even though these would have factored into the negotiations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>114</sup> Salamat Original Report at 40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>115</sup> Salamat Original Report at 38.

June 2012) and (2) "future impacts" through June 2026, 116 using the rolling average for June 2012.117

- 87. In his original report, Mr. Salamat calculated damages of \$887.4 million based on the differences between Supplement CC and the hypothetical seniority list he posits under the DMODEL. He then multiplied this amount by 0.73, assuming – as described above – that there was a 73% chance that if ALPA had not breached its duty of fair representation the parties would have adopted a merged seniority list identical to the DMODEL. He thus concluded that ALPA is "liable for \$647,808,701 in unmitigated damages." 118
- In his set-off report, Mr. Salamat reduced his damages estimates "by income earned 88. through substitute employment", (mitigation or set-off) based on responses by individual pilots to requests for information about income earned while they were furloughed by American. <sup>120</sup> Under the DMODEL, he estimated \$593.1 million in damages after accounting for mitigation. <sup>121</sup> Mr. Salamat's post-mitigation damages analysis did not include an adjustment for the supposed probability of achieving the DMODEL list (i.e., he did not multiply by 0.73).
- 89. Finally, as noted above, Mr. Salamat offers three other but-for seniority lists and calculates damages based on each one. However, he provides no estimates of the probability that any of the other hypothetical seniority lists on which he basis his alternative damages calculations would have been achieved, absent ALPA's breach.

### B. Mr. Salamat's Hypothetical Seniority Lists are Not Reasonable

90. In deriving his hypothetical seniority lists, Mr. Salamat considers only how a seniority list would have affected the TWA pilots. He ignores the role of the American pilots in the negotiations, how his hypothetical seniority lists would have affected them, and the dynamics of bargaining. Thus, he effectively ignores the key factors that would have determined the outcome of negotiations between the two pilots groups, even though he claims he is trying to predict

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>116</sup> Salamat Original Report at 42.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>117</sup> Mr. Salamat explains why he estimates damages through 2026 as follows: "The model runs to the end of June 2026, a point when 63% of the TWA pilots are estimated to have retired. Often these models run until all pilots have retired (2040 in this matter), but the decision in this case was to use a more conservative forecast horizon of 14 years" (Salamat Original Report at 45). <sup>118</sup> Salamat Original Report at 48, 52.

Salamat Original Report at 46.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>120</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>121</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report, Figure 6, at 11.

"what an agreement between the APA and the TWA pilots would have been." At his deposition, Mr. Salamat acknowledged that he had made no assumptions about the pretransaction expectations of either the TWA or American pilots, and that he ignored these expectations in developing his proposed seniority lists. As explained above, this is wrong as a matter of economics. In order to understand whether a proposed seniority list likely, or even possibly, reflected the outcome of negotiations between the parties, one cannot ignore the parties' pre-transaction career expectations.

- 91. Exhibit 8.B shows that Prospective Evaluation of the sharing of integration benefits under Mr. Salamat's DMODEL is inconsistent with economics and therefore is unreasonable. Prospective Evaluation shows that the American pilots are *harmed* by the integration, while the TWA pilots obtain far more than the total gains generated from the transaction. Evaluation with Hindsight shows that, even viewed after the fact, the TWA pilots obtained virtually all the gains. The average gain per TWA pilot of over \$300,000 is more than 50 times greater than the gain of the average American pilot (less than \$6,000). Based on my previous discussion, this is an unlikely outcome from negotiations between the pilot groups given that the American pilots had more bargaining leverage than the TWA pilots given their contractual rights.
- 92. Exhibit 9 evaluates how benefits are shared between the American and TWA pilots under the other proposed seniority lists for which Mr. Salamat estimated damages. Not surprisingly, all except Mr. Salamat's Marginal List (SuppCC200) result in losses for the American pilots relative to their positions absent the acquisition. This result is expected since each of these lists is even more favorable for the TWA pilots than Mr. Salamat's DMODEL. Mr. Salamat's Marginal List results in approximately equal sharing of the total benefits between the two pilot groups. Given that American had about five times as many pilots as TWA, this results in the average TWA pilot obtaining five times the gain received by an American pilot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>122</sup> Salamat Original Report at 14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>123</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 49:23-50: 14.

<sup>124</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 81:4-21 ("Q: I'm asking whether you have any information indicating to you that the TWA MEC believed it was appropriate to take into account the pre-transaction career expectations of each pilot group in constructing a merged seniority list. A: To the extent that that is reflected in the Tannen rightful place proposal, I believe it is. Q: Did you do anything to test whether the lists that you set forth in your report succeed in preserving the pre-transaction career expectations of each pilot group? A: No, I did no work on the premerger trans—the un-merged expectations of either of the pilot groups. Q: And you considered that factor irrelevant for your analysis; correct? A: Yes. I considered it irrelevant.")

- 93. It is notable that these results are seen even though Evaluation with Hindsight provides a greater share of gains from the transaction to the American pilots than would have been expected at the time the parties were negotiating. It reflects the realized, rather than expected, benefits the American pilots received from having TWA pilots below them on the seniority list. Because of furloughs, the TWA pilots did not receive as much benefit in higher pay as they would have expected, and the American pilots received more value from the furlough protection than they would have expected. The negotiations would not have reflected the certainty associated with this outcome, however, but only the probability that it could occur (which generally is taken into account as a possible future outcome in my Prospective Evaluation).
- 94. Thus, my evaluation of Mr. Salamat's hypothesized DMODEL and the other seniority lists for which he estimates damages shows that:
  - a) Prospective Evaluation demonstrates that Mr. Salamat's DMODEL proposal is not a reasonable outcome of bargaining between the parties, because the American pilots would have expected to be made worse off than they expected without the transaction. Even using Evaluation under Hindsight, DMODEL provided almost all the gains to the TWA pilots, an unlikely outcome given the contract rights of the American pilots;
  - b) Mr. Salamat's other proposed lists and the lists proposed by Professor Farber generally are even less reasonable and thus could not have been reached through negotiation.

# C. Mr. Salamat Provides no Empirical Evidence that ALPA's Actions Would Have Affected the Seniority List

95. Mr. Salamat provides no empirical evidence that any of the actions that Plaintiffs claim ALPA should have taken would achieve their goal of a more favorable seniority list. For example, while Mr. Salamat asserts that ALPA should have supported the TWA pilots in seeking an injunction in October 2001, he provides no evidence to suggest that there was any likelihood that a Court would have granted an injunction. Nowhere in his report does he evaluate empirically whether anything ALPA might have done differently would have influenced the APA to offer seniority integration terms that, on the whole, were more favorable to the TWA pilots than the terms of Supplement CC. Instead, Mr. Salamat simply *assumes* that each change

in ALPA's conduct would have increased the likelihood of the APA agreeing to a more favorable outcome for the TWA pilots. This is not a substitute for empirical analysis.

### D. Mr. Salamat Does Not Apply any of the "Theoretical" Foundations that He **Claims Underlie His Analysis**

96. Mr. Salamat claims that "[b]ehavioral theory, expected utility, game theory and the analysis of persuasion...attempt to give insight into how parties will behave in negotiations [and] together they form a body of work from which a reasoned and methodical estimate of damages to the TWA pilots can be drawn given the assumption that ALPA had not violated its duty."<sup>125</sup> However, he never develops, presents, applies or properly explains these theories and what they predict about how the specific actions that he claims comprise ALPA's breach would have affected the outcome. I am aware of no principles in economic theory, behavioral theory, game theory or any other body of academic research and literature that support the methodology that Mr. Salamat applies to construct his hypothetical seniority lists and to calculate damages.

### E. Mr. Salamat's Assumed Probabilities Have No Empirical Basis

- 97. As described above, the first step Mr. Salamat took to calculate his estimated DMODEL damages (before set-off) was to "develop[] a static table of probabilities that allow a methodical way to estimate the likelihood that [an individual course of action that ALPA could have pursued] could have had in isolation" <sup>126</sup> on reaching DMODEL. He combined those probabilities into a joint probability of achieving the better outcome.
- 98. Mr. Salamat's methodology for evaluating the impact of actions on the outcome is invalid as a matter of logic and statistics. His probability assignments are summarized in Exhibit 10. He offers no basis for the individual probabilities he arbitrarily assigns to each proposed ALPA action, and he admitted at his deposition that he had no rationale for these probabilities. 127

#### F. Mr. Salamat's Assumed Probabilities Are Combined Inappropriately

99. Exhibit 10 shows that Mr. Salamat compounds the error resulting from his arbitrarily assumed probabilities by adding them together and purporting to calculate the overall probability that the APA would have agreed to the DMODEL List if ALPA had not breached its duty. As a

Salamat Original Report at 4.
 Salamat Original Report at 9.
 Salamat Dep. 1/29/2013 at 205:23-206:22; 207:15-20.

matter of basic statistics, summing probabilities as Mr. Salamat does is not appropriate. Consider each action that Mr. Salamat claims ALPA could have taken as equivalent to rolling a dice. Mr. Salamat appears to be asking the following: if ALPA rolled the dice six times, what is the likelihood that it would have succeeded in rolling a six at least once? Mr. Salamat's calculation yields 100% (6\*(1/6) = 1), but the proper calculation is 66.5% (1-(1-1/6)<sup>6</sup>). The second column of Exhibit 10 shows the cumulative probability of Mr. Salamat's individual probability assumptions if calculated properly and if each probability were independent – a combined probability of 53.3% rather than 73%. Accordingly, even assuming that Mr. Salamat's probabilities are otherwise appropriate (and he admitted that they are arbitrary and without empirical basis), the proper amount by which to discount his total damages under the DMODEL is 53.3%, not 73%. Correcting this error alone reduces the damages before set-off, using Mr. Salamat's methodology, from \$647.8 million to \$473 million.

100. This calculation still overestimates the likelihood that the parties would have agreed to the DMODEL List because the likelihood of success of each of the hypothetical actions identified by Mr. Salamat is not independent, unlike each roll of the dice. If these actions were taken in the sequence listed, the probability that a particular action would succeed likely would decline after previous actions failed to achieve the TWA pilots' goal. For example, if ALPA had not agreed that the TWA pilots should waive scope (i.e., according to Mr. Salamat, had not failed in its initial duty to the TWA pilots, but instead had taken actions to fight the waiver) and this effort were unsuccessful, the likelihood that future ALPA actions would affect the negotiations to the benefit of TWA likely would have declined given what that failure would have revealed about the strength of the TWA pilots' position. Pursuing futile strategies to achieve the same goal would only confirm the TWA pilots' weak bargaining position and strengthen the APA in its negotiations. Thus, the second column of Exhibit 10 corrects Mr. Salamat's fundamental statistical error, but still overestimates the probability of reaching agreement on the DMODEL (assuming that each individual probability were accurate) because the likelihood of success of the remaining options decreases as previous attempts fail.

 $<sup>^{128}</sup>$  Each roll has a  $5/6^{th}$  probability of failing. The probability of rolling a six at least once is one minus the probability that all six rolls do not result in a six).

101. My corrected calculations also may overestimate Mr. Salamat's purported probability of reaching agreement on the DMODEL seniority list because Mr. Salamat failed to take into account that not all of the listed actions could have been pursued in combination. Pursuing certain actions could have made it impossible to pursue others. For example, Mr. Salamat testified that he did not consider whether the various legal strategies – which comprise four individual actions on his list – all could have been pursued in sequence. Instead, having "no way of assessing whether it would have been possible or not," Mr. Salamat simply "presum[est that the subsequent legal strategy] is not made redundant by the first one. Since pursuit of some actions could have made it impossible to pursue others, even the 53.3% likelihood of reaching the DMODEL seniority list, based on Mr. Salamat's made-up probabilities, is too high.

### G. Mr. Salamat Ignores the Impact of and Reason for the St. Louis Fence

102. Mr. Salamat ignores the benefits that the TWA pilots could have expected from the St. Louis fence. He focuses exclusively on the outcome for the TWA pilots, viewed with hindsight, under Supplement CC compared with outcomes that he claims could have been achieved through negotiations absent a breach by ALPA (including DMODEL and others). However, from a prospective view, if American had performed as expected at the time that it agreed to acquire TWA, <sup>131</sup> then the St. Louis fence created by Supplement CC would have resulted in TWA pilots generally flying the same aircraft and having the same or better opportunities at higher pay rates than in the past, irrespective of their position on the seniority list. In effect, the St. Louis fence created a separate airline within the larger airline, in which bidding opportunities were reserved for the TWA pilots at the higher American pay scale. The reduction in the value to American of operating and expanding its St. Louis hub after the transaction likely was a consequence of the unanticipated extreme and protracted downturn in air travel, especially at the legacy network carriers like American (see Exhibit 11).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>129</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/30/2013 at 5:22-15:6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>130</sup> Salamat Dep. 1/30/2013 at 6:10-13.

American's CEO in 2004 explained, "business travel was booming—so much so that we were in danger at American of maxing out our two mid-continent hubs at Dallas/Fort Worth and Chicago. Adding the St. Louis hub in that environment seemed to make sense." "Climbing Back to Altitude: A Commerce Magazine Conversation with American Airlines CEO Gerard Arpey," August 2004 (http://www.stlcommercemagazine.com/archives/august2004/altitude.html).

103. By ignoring the fence, Mr. Salamat wrongly attributes damages to TWA pilots whose earnings would not have been any higher in a but-for world where they had greater seniority on the merged seniority list. Under Mr. Salamat's methodology, damages attributed to a TWA pilot are calculated from the average monthly income of pilots with similar seniority – the "average income of a pilot's seniority 'neighbourhood." But imputing income in this way ignores the fact that position on the merged seniority list does not determine the TWA pilot's income when the fence is operating. Rather, earnings of TWA pilots are determined by their relative seniority within the *TWA pilots' subset of the merged seniority list*, because their opportunities are defined by options available in St. Louis. The most senior TWA pilot would not earn more simply because he or she moves up on the merged seniority list in Mr. Salamat's but-for world.

104. The fact that Mr. Salamat wrongly ignores the reason for the St. Louis fence is evident from his own damages calculations. He concludes that, under his DMODEL, \$258.6 million of the total \$671.1 million in damages (before set-off), or 39 percent, is attributable to "employment" damages to which he claims the TWA pilots are entitled because under Supplement CC they were denied the opportunity to bid for better paying jobs consistent with the seniority that he claims they should have had. A portion of the remaining damages, which are lost pension, also derived from reduced employment opportunities for TWA pilots during this period. But all these gains would have been obtained at the cost of the American pilots – they represent, in effect, a transfer of the American pilots' pre-transaction expectations to fly the planes that American brought to the transaction, and to advance up their career path in the same ways as they would have done without the transaction. The St. Louis fence, which Mr. Salamat ignores, was imposed to prevent this transfer of pre-transaction career prospects from the American pilots to the TWA pilots (as well as analogous transfers in the other direction). Mr. Salamat wrongly assumes that the protection that it offered would not have been part of any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>132</sup> Salamat Original Report at 18.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Differing career opportunities, however, have certainly played a role in the construction of lists. The amount of 'premium' work, such as wide-body captaincies, aircraft on order, airline growth and quality of work all play some role in virtually every merger and it is not uncommon for one party to argue that its pilots should be granted a seniority premium to reflect the 'better opportunities' they bring and that the other party will have a chance to share in" (Salamat Original Report at 30). When asked as his deposition whether he had "seen in your work that, in evaluating the fairness of seniority integration lists that people look to, whether the integrated list preserves the pre-transaction career expectations of each pilot group?" Mr. Salamat responded that "That -- that would be common in – in mergers that people do that, yes" (Salamat Dep. 1/29/13 at 73:9-15).

negotiated agreement on the seniority list, particularly in the case of a list, like his, that would have made such transfers of expectations likely.

### H. Mr. Salamat's Methodology Cannot Determine Damages Owed to Individual Pilots

105. According to Mr. Salamat, seniority is a "currency" that pilots use to purchase options like leisure, choice of equipment, and choice of schedule. He acknowledges that "many pilots do not bid for the highest paying position they could hold, but make tradeoffs between money and lifestyle." For example, a pilot can choose to fly as a captain of a small wide-body rather than a first officer of a large wide-body, and will earn a lower hourly rate as a consequence, but may be based in a hub closer to his or her home, or have a better working schedule (e.g., fewer nights away from the base). Mr. Salamat's analysis shows that seniority is related only loosely to income – because a "pilot's income is the result of both seniority and what the pilot has chosen to do with it . . ., within a small section of a seniority list, there can be a wide range in the incomes of pilots."

106. This is illustrated in Mr. Salamat's Figure 5, which shows the monthly income of each American Airlines pilot in April 2002 according to his/her seniority. The average monthly income (as seen on the trend line) in the neighborhood of American pilot at seniority #6000 "is approximately \$10,000 but that some pilots [in that neighborhood] are earning as little as \$7,000 while some are earning as much as \$15,000." This means that, given a very narrow range of seniority, pilots earn very different amounts, reflecting their choice of how to use their seniority.

107. Because of this variation, Mr. Salamat uses a "rolling average" methodology to estimate the pay that an individual pilot would earn if that pilot were in a different seniority position, stating that "[u]sing an average relieves this problem and adjusts for pilots' individual choices." However, this assumption causes him to eliminate the individuality in pilot choices. His methodology will attribute damages to pilots who would not have used their higher seniority

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>134</sup> Salamat Original Report at 38.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>135</sup> Salamat 1/30/2013 Dep. at 154:3-4 ("pilots trade off lifestyle for income"). Similarly, the APA's explanation of Supplement CC noted that the St. Louis fence was "designed to preserve TWA pilots' opportunities . . . and to continue to have some of the quality of life (schedules, days off, vacations, etc.) that they had within the separate TWA operation . . ." (ALPA 008768) .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>136</sup> Salamat Original Report at 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>137</sup> Salamat Original Report at 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>138</sup> Salamat Original Report at 18.

to earn more income, and attribute lower damages to some pilots who would have used their higher seniority to earn above the average income. Determining the proper amount of damages, if any, owed to an individual pilot requires individualized analysis of the pilot's historical choices and his or her expected choices in a different seniority rank.<sup>139</sup>

- 108. These tradeoffs are evident in the working histories of the pilots at American after the transaction. The data on their experience between 2002 and 2012 shows that pilots often take voluntary leave (choose to be inactive) and that they choose to "bid down" and accept assignments on smaller planes and at lower pay rates than they were entitled to choose. I understand that they also may choose to be a "reserve" rather than a regular pilot.
- 109. Exhibit 12 shows that pilots with sufficient seniority to be eligible to fly are often inactive. There are times during the period April 2002 through 2012 when as much as eight percent of non-furloughed pilots are inactive. Some of these likely are "inactive" because of a lifestyle choice. Individual considerations about how to use seniority are ignored in Mr. Salamat's analysis, so all TWA pilots that achieve sufficient seniority to be working are assumed to be active.
- 110. Exhibit 13 show the number of American pilots serving as First Officers who could have served in the higher position of Captain on the same equipment. It appears that these pilots choose to "bid down" and use their seniority for lower-paid positions.
- 111. Mitigation evidence collected by Plaintiffs provides further evidence of the individuality of pilots' choices. Exhibit 14 shows the distribution of set-off earnings across pilots. These vary by year even for individual pilots. If a pilot chooses to "mitigate" by enjoying leisure one year, Mr. Salamat assumes that pilot is entitled to damages, even if his or her employment record shows that he was working before and after (and thus provides no reason to think that pilot could not have been working during the year without income).
- 112. Although Plaintiffs claim to represent a class that includes all former TWA pilots, Exhibit 15 makes clear that Mr. Salamat is not claiming that all TWA pilots were harmed by the alleged

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>139</sup> In my evaluation of how the gains from the transaction were shared between the two pilot groups, I use Mr. Salamat's income schedule, which is based on his rolling-average methodology. My focus is on the aggregate differences in how the benefits were shared, and not the claimed damages owed to an individual pilot, so the use of the rolling average methodology is reasonable for my purpose.

The exhibit excludes pilots classified as furloughed.

breach of duty. As shown in Exhibit 15, some TWA pilots were no worse off under Supplement CC than under Mr. Salamat's but-for list and, if they were furloughed or otherwise not working at American, some earned more in their alternative employment.

113. Thus, Mr. Salamat's damages methodology predicts that some pilots are no worse off and others harmed to various extents by the alleged conduct. The number falling in each category differs depending on which "but-for" list is used and what assumption is made about mitigation by TWA pilots who did not provide documentation. Thus, not all pilots are affected in a common way by ALPA's breach as presented by Mr. Salamat.

#### I. Mr. Salamat's Set-Off Calculation is Flawed

- 114. On April 30, 2013, Mr. Salamat submitted a report quantifying the amount by which former TWA pilots "set-off" or mitigated the damages that he estimated resulted from furloughs during the period 2002 to June 2012. His quantification was based on information submitted by former TWA pilots as of April 30, 2013 in response to a "TWA Pilot Questionnaire." The documents on which Mr. Salamat relies include written responses to the questionnaire, social security earnings reports ("SSERs"), W-2s and other IRS tax records, and potentially other supporting documents.
- 115. Mr. Salamat groups responses from pilots who were furloughed for at least part of a year into three broad categories. First, some pilots submitted information that he found to be "complete" (Category A). Second, some pilots submitted partial information, but "sufficient information was provided to estimate each pilot's income while on furlough" (Category B). Third, some pilots submitted information that was so inadequate that Mr. Salamat concluded that their "responses are equivalent to non-responses because a pilots' [sic] set-off income could not be calculated" (Category C). 143
- 116. According to Mr. Salamat, "one reason pilots may not have responded to the questionnaire is the possibility that the pilots believed the damages to have been set-off." <sup>144</sup> If those in Category C generally found new employment quickly and earned as much or more than

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>141</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 2.

Salamat Set-Off Report at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>143</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>144</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 5.

they would have if they were not furloughed, then the proper assumption would be that all their damages were set-off. However, Mr. Salamat wrongly claims that a "conservative" assumption is that the nonresponders set-off their damages at the "lower of the Category A and Category B percentages of set-off to total damages." A more conservative assumption, and one that is consistent with the pilots' incentives to respond to the questionnaire, would assume that furlough damages for this group after set-off were zero – that these pilots effectively mitigated all their furlough damages and thus understood that they had nothing to gain by responding. At a minimum, it is reasonable to assume that non-responders (who have no incentive to respond if they expect to gain more by not responding) would have a lower percentage of set-off to total damages than pilots who submitted sufficient documentation to permit calculation of set-off damages. Mr. Salamat attributes about \$19 million in "lost income" damages and \$3 million in interest on those damages to these non-responders.

117. Mr. Salamat's methodology for calculating set-off damages is to mitigate for each former TWA pilot the damages estimated for each year up to the amount of reported set-off income for that year. However, this unreasonably limits the amount of mitigation, because the relevant question is how much each pilot was harmed by the alleged breach of duty. If Mr. Salamat estimates that a furloughed pilot would have earned \$100,000 in each of five years but for the alleged breach, and that pilot actually earns \$0 in two of those years and \$250,000 in set-off income in each of the other three years, Mr. Salamat calculates damages of \$200,000 (\$100,000 in each of the two years during which he had no income). However, for the five years as a whole, the pilot earned \$750,000, which exceeds by \$250,000 the amount that he would have earned if he were not furloughed. Thus, the proper calculation for this pilot would be set-off damages of \$0. If I correct this error in Mr. Salamat's methodology, his estimated damages decline by \$35.7 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>145</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 5.

### J. Mr. Salamat Ignores the Constraint on Damages from the Fixed Number of Total Jobs at American

- 118. Mr. Salamat ignores the constraint on damages resulting from the fixed number of total jobs available at American at a particular time by treating the number of seniority places above the furlough line as equivalent to the number of available pilot jobs. At any given time, a number of pilots who have sufficient seniority to remain working (i.e., are above the furlough line) are nevertheless inactive. To illustrate the error that Mr. Salamat makes, assume that there are 1,000 jobs and 2,000 pilots on the seniority list. If the 1,000 most senior pilots all want to and can fly, then the most junior active pilot will be seniority #1,000, and pilots #1,001 through 2,000 will be furloughed. In reality, however, pilots #1 through 1,000 are not all active, and whatever number are inactive corresponds to the additional number of seniority spaces that can hold active duty. So in this example, if 100 pilots with seniority numbers between 1 and 1,000 are inactive, then pilots with seniority at least through #1,100 will be needed to fill the 1,000 available jobs, and no more than 900 pilots will be furloughed.
- 119. Mr. Salamat does not take into account the implications of having inactive pilots on the American roster in his calculation of damages to the former TWA pilots who are higher on his hypothetical seniority lists than on Supplement CC. For example, assume that Mr. Salamat's hypothetical list moves 100 TWA pilots who had seniority ranks of 1,100 to 1,200 in the actual world (and were furloughed) into positions 1,000-1,100 (ranks that were not furloughed). If, in the actual world, 10 of the 100 pilots occupying these ranks had been inactive (on medical leave, voluntary leave, etc.), then pilots ranked 1,000-1,100 in the actual world were filling only 90 jobs—not the 100 jobs to which Mr. Salamat attributes damages.
- 120. The amount by which he overestimates the total number of jobs at American is shown in Exhibit 16. Eliminating these "extra" jobs reduces his DMODEL damages by about \$57 million.

### K. Mr. Salamat Assumes Without Justification that Pilots on Voluntary Furlough Suffer Damages after 2012

#### 121. According to Mr. Salamat,

[i]f a pilot was on furlough during a given period but would not have been under an alternative list, then the impact to the pilot is the total lost income for the period. However, there are situations where pilots are either on voluntary furlough or have bypassed recall. During the historic period, pilots on voluntary furlough have no impact calculated for them. At the end of the historic period, there were pilot who had bypassed

recall and were, therefore, on furlough by choice. It is uncertain whether these pilots will accept recall in the future or will resign. However, as these pilots still have the right to be recalled, and in that sense are the same as pilots who have not yet been offered recall, I have calculated damages for them as if they will return as soon as attrition will permit. These pilots have no damages attributed to them during the period they would remain on furlough. 146

Thus, Mr. Salamat makes the reasonable assumption that pilots who chose voluntary furlough for the years leading up to the end of the historic period and refused a recall when it was offered suffered no damages. However, "[a]t the end of the historic period, there were pilots who had bypassed recall and were, therefore, on furlough by choice. It is uncertain whether these pilots will accept recall in the future or will resign. However, as these pilots still have the right to be recalled, and in that sense are the same as pilots who have not yet been offered recall, I have calculated damages for them *as if they will return as soon as attrition will permit.*" These pilots have no damages attributed to them during the period they would remain on furlough, but are assumed to return as "soon as attrition will permit," and thus suffer damages after the historic period. A more reasonable assumption is that many of these pilots have found other employment or selected leisure, and would again refuse to be recalled. Thus, the \$35.2 million in discounted damages attributed to pilots on voluntary furlough likely is substantially overstated, and may even be zero.

#### L. Mr. Salamat's Pension Calculations are Flawed

- 122. Mr. Salamat's calculations of damages attributable to lost pension have three flaws.
- 123. First, American's pension plans were frozen in November 2012. He Mr. Salamat's pension calculations assume that pilots continued to accrue benefits under Plan B through 2026 as they had through 2011. This pension was frozen after Mr. Salamat submitted his original report, but he failed to take this into account when he submitted his Set-Off Report.
- 124. Second, Mr. Salamat assumes that Pension Plan B grows at seven percent annually, and he discounts pension earnings at a rate of 2.5 percent. (I explain below why Mr. Salamat's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>146</sup> Salamat Original Report at 44-45.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>147</sup> Salamat Original Report at 44-45 (emphasis added).

http://www.restructuringamr.com/our-people-retirement.asp. ("American froze all of its defined benefit pension plans and its pilot B Plan on Nov. 1, 2012. Following the freeze, the company terminated the pilot B Plan on Nov. 30, 2012.")

<sup>149</sup> Salamat Original Report at 47.

assumed discount rate is wrong.) In addition, his assumption that pension earnings grow at a seven percent rate, while discounting those benefits at 2.5 percent, implies that each dollar of pension benefits is worth more than a dollar, with the increase in value growing with the number of years to retirement. For example, according to Mr. Salamat's methodology, a dollar of pension contribution for a pilot that expects to retire in 30 years is worth 3.6 times as much as a dollar paid in salary. This causes him to overestimate the contribution of pension losses to damages by about \$86 million.

125. Third, Mr. Salamat incorrectly calculates the annuity value of the retirement benefits by assuming all retirees will live with certainty until the expected age of death. This too causes him to overstate the value of the TWA pilots' pension losses.

#### M. Mr. Salamat Does Not Discount Future Compensation Properly

- 126. Mr. Salamat discounts future damages back to January 1, 2013 at a discount rate of 2.5 percent. He does not explain why he chose this rate, but it is inconsistent with economics. A purpose of discounting future compensation is that these income flows are risky there is no guarantee that they will be received. The history of both TWA and American illustrates that uncertainty and risk are important elements of employment in the airline industry. The proper discount rate for future earnings reflects the riskiness of the employer, which is reflected in American's weighted average cost of capital ("WACC").
- 127. Mr. Salamat also errs in calculating pre-judgment interest. He uses the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) rather than an interest rate. Since there is no uncertainty about past compensation losses (or realized damages), it is appropriate to use a risk-free rate when calculating interest on past damages. <sup>150</sup>
- 128. The combined impact of (1) discounting future damages using American's WACC and (2) using the risk-free rate to calculate interest on past damages is to inflate Mr. Salamat's estimated damages under DMODEL by \$47 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>150</sup> Lanzilloti and Esquibel, "Measuring Damages in Commercial Litigation: Present Value of Lost Opportunities," J. Accounting, Auditing & Finance (1990) 125, 132-134.

### VII. PROFESSOR FARBER'S HYPOTHETICAL SENIORITY LIST IS UNREASONABLE AND HIS METHODOLOGY IS FLAWED

### A. Summary of Professor Farber's Opinions

- 129. Professor Farber says that Plaintiffs asked him "to analyze American's acquisition of TWA and to generate an estimate of a merged seniority list that would have resulted . . . had ALPA met its duty of fair representation." His methodology is to "define a metric for measuring how well pilots fare when seniority lists are merged" a statistic he refers to as the proportional difference in mean ranks. He "calculate[s] this metric for those seniority list merges for which I was able to get the relevant information from arbitration awards or agreements" and for Supplement CC.
- 130. He then evaluates whether the metric for Supplement CC differs from that of what he deems to be "comparable mergers." He concludes that "the placement of [TWA's] former pilots on the merged seniority list was unusually unfavorable, on average." Using seven selected "comparable mergers" and making a variety of other assumptions, he then creates a butfor merged seniority list that achieves the same value of the proportional difference in mean ranks as the average of his selected comparables. This proposed list:
  - a) Has no top staple (i.e., no group of American pilots at the top of the list above the first merged TWA pilot);
  - b) A bottom staple of 350 TWA pilots; and
  - c) 1,887 TWA pilots merged with the American pilots in a ratio of 5.81:1. 154
- 131. Professor Farber does not calculate damages based on his list, or on alternative upper and lower bound but-for lists that he provides based on the second highest and second lowest of his selected comparables (ranked by proportional difference in mean ranks). However, Mr. Salamat

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>151</sup> Farber Report ¶8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>152</sup> Farber Report ¶55. "Comparable mergers" are identified by Professor Farber as meeting two criteria: (1) the acquired airline was in financial difficulty, but still flying; and (2) the acquired airline brought valuable assets to the combined company (Farber Report ¶10).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>153</sup> Farber Report ¶54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>154</sup> The major differences between Professor Farber and Mr. Salamat's respective proposed lists are summarized in Exhibit 17.

estimates damages associated with Professor Farber's three but-for lists that range from \$753.2 million (lower bound) to \$1.08 billion (upper bound) after set-offs to account for mitigation. <sup>155</sup>

### B. Professor Farber's Hypothesized Seniority List is Inconsistent with the Economics of Bargaining

132. Professor Farber's preferred but-for seniority list would result in all but 350 TWA pilots having improved seniority relative to Supplement CC. I showed above in Exhibit 9 that his hypothetical list is inconsistent with the economics of bargaining because under this list the TWA pilots would obtain more than 100 percent of the gains from the integration, and the American pilots would be worse off with than without the integration. Given the bargaining situation that existed, the economics of bargaining predicts that the American pilots never would have agreed to such a list.

### C. According To His Own Criteria, Professor Farber Uses Mergers that are Not Comparable

133. Professor Farber says that he identified "comparable" seniority lists as benchmarks to evaluate the American/TWA integrated seniority list by assuming that TWA was financially viable. However, Mr. Levine and Mr. Feltman explained that the assumption that TWA was financially viable is invalid. Professor Farber admitted at his deposition that "I would have had to select my comparables differently" if it were likely that "TWA would have liquidated shortly after January 2001 in the absence of an American transaction." He explained that "one of the factors we considered in choosing comparable merger lists was the financial condition of the acquired carrier. And as a result, in order to make them comparable, we tried to find cases where — with some, at a crude level, similarity with TWA's financial condition. So, of course, TWA's financial condition was relevant."

134. Thus, Professor Farber uses seniority lists from other mergers that, according to his own criteria, were not comparable to the American/TWA transaction. In particular, he uses benchmark seniority lists where the merged party that he claims is an appropriate proxy for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>155</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report, Figure 7, at 12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>156</sup> Levine Report at 9; Feltman Report at 4-5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>157</sup> Farber Dep. 1/22/2013 at 138:25-139:8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>158</sup> Farber Dep. 1/22/2013 at 75:12-19.

TWA was an ongoing airline and its pilots had better future prospects (even through bankruptcy and reorganization) than did the TWA pilots.

# D. Professor Farber Uses Arbitrated Outcomes Even Though the TWA Pilots Had No Right to Arbitration

135. According to Professor Farber, it is reasonable to assume that ALPA, in its fair representation of the TWA pilots, would have been guided in its negotiations with the American pilots by the ALPA merger policy in place at the time of American's acquisition of TWA assets. Professor Farber quotes the ALPA merger policy statement that "[t]he Fundamental purpose of this policy is to provide protection for the employment rights and interests of ALPA flight deck crew members in an orderly, expeditious and equitable manner," "using arbitration if necessary." However, I am not aware of any evidence, and certainly Professor Farber presents none, that arbitration was a likely or even a possible outcome here. Instead, I understand that the TWA pilots waived any right to arbitration, and that doing so was a condition American put on the deal because arbitration of seniority integration disputes was not consistent with the American pilots' CBA. Thus, Professor Farber's reliance on arbitrated decisions as benchmarks for integration when the acquired party has no right to arbitration is not justified. 161

# E. Professor Farber Uses a Statistical Measure that has Not Been Applied in Evaluating Seniority List Integrations

- 136. Professor Farber asserts that the metric he uses to evaluate the reasonableness of Supplement CC— "the proportional difference between the mean seniority rank of pilots"— is "a standard measure of disparities between groups and of changes over time in key variables," and says it is widely used in academic literature. However, the literature he cites as support for use of this metric simply explains and provides examples showing that academic researchers compare means of data in their analyses. It provides no support for the methodology Professor Farber applies here.
- 137. Professor Farber has no evidence that this metric is used, or would be useful, in evaluating potential seniority list mergers of airline pilots. The arbitrated agreements on which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>159</sup> Farber Report ¶20.

Farber Report ¶20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>161</sup> Professor Farber does not even purport to explain how any actions that ALPA might have taken would have affected negotiations with the APA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>162</sup> Farber Report ¶42.

he relies show the variety of considerations that arbitrators typically consider when deciding how to combine two carriers' seniority lists, including the airlines' history and differences in pilot tenure, status (captains vs. first officers), types of aircraft flown, type of service provided, etc. These considerations are unlikely to be captured in any reasonable way by a simple statistic such as proportional difference in mean rank. I am not aware of the arbitrator in any of these mergers considering the proportional difference in mean rank between the pilots of the acquired and acquiring airline.

138. Moreover, in devising his metric and applying it to each of the transactions in his sample, Professor Farber does not account for conditions and restrictions incorporated in the underlying seniority integrations, such as the St. Louis fence. I understand that such conditions and restrictions are a common feature in integrated seniority lists. As with the St. Louis fence, conditions and restrictions can affect the opportunities available to pilots, mitigating the disparities in seniority rankings between the pilot groups by altering how pilots may use their seniority. Thus, by analyzing the seniority list without considering the full context in which it was implemented, Professor Farber's measure of "proportional difference in mean ranks" exaggerates (or, possibly in some cases, diminishes) the actual disparities between the integrated pilot groups.

#### F. Professor Farber Wrongly Applies his Choice of "Comparables"

139. Professor Farber uses the proportional difference in mean ranks to create a but-for seniority list "that would have resulted from the combination of the two airlines had ALPA met its duty of fair representation." Yet his own analysis, even using his improperly selected "comparable" transactions, shows that Supplement CC is consistent with the result that his methodology predicts would have obtained if ALPA had met its duty of fair representation. It is only slightly "worse" than one of his selected list of seven comparables (the Alaska/Jet America merger). And Supplement CC is no "worse" than two other arbitrated mergers evaluated using Professor Farber's metric. Since he uses these as benchmarks, I assume that he would agree that they were not affected by a union's failure to fulfill its duty of fair representation. Logically,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>163</sup> Farber Report ¶8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>164</sup> Professor Farber's logic appears to be that arbitration always results in an outcome that properly weighs the value that the two parties bring to the merger, which presumably is the best that can be expected when a union fulfills its duty of fair representation.

they would represent outcomes consistent with ALPA meeting its duty of fair representation, which means that Supplement CC was within the range of such outcomes.

Professor Farber wrongly claims that the but-for seniority list must have the same proportional difference in mean ranks as the average calculated from several "comparable" mergers (or, for his "lower bound" estimate, the merger with the second lowest proportional difference in mean ranks), even though any seniority list that falls in the range of his "comparables" is a reasonable outcome that is consistent with a process in which both negotiating parties met their duty of fair representation. Indeed, if he had selected more appropriate comparables – those in which, as Mr. Levine explains, the acquired airline was "no longer viable as a standalone airline" - he would have found that Supplement CC was well within the range of outcomes (based on his metric) that an arbitrator would have imposed (as I discuss below). 166

#### G. Professor Farber's Conclusions are Inconsistent With Those of Mr. Salamat

Mr. Salamat's opinion about the likely impact of ALPA's failure in its duty of fair representation contradicts the claims of Professor Farber. Mr. Salamat says that his ARBITRATED list, which he derives by reviewing a variety of arbitrated agreements (a methodology similar to that used by Professor Farber), "must be considered the limit of what the APA would have agreed to." <sup>167</sup> In other words, he considers this outcome the best possible outcome for the TWA pilots from negotiations if ALPA had not breached its duty. Yet, Professor Farber's but-for seniority list gives the TWA pilots even more than they would receive under Mr. Salamat's arbitrated list (\$931.5 million vs. \$798.3 million, respectively). <sup>168</sup> Thus, Mr. Salamat's own opinion implies that Professor Farber's proposed list is more favorable to the TWA pilots than any list to which the American pilots would have been willing to agree if ALPA had fulfilled its duty.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>165</sup> Levine Report at 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>166</sup> Professor Farber rejects without proper justification two potential benchmarks with a lower proportional difference in mean ranks than he calculates for the American/TWA merger: the Republic/Lynx merger, because he claims that Lynx was able to continue flying only because of an influx of cash from Republic, even though this was effectively the same position in which TWA found itself in early 2001; and the Southwest/Air Tran merger for the unprincipled reason that "I have not been able to determine why former Airtran [sic] pilots were placed so low on their post-transaction seniority list" (Farber Report ¶51 (fn. 36)). <sup>167</sup> Salamat Original Report at 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>168</sup> Salamat Set-Off Report at 11-12.

142. Mr. Salamat did not quantify the probability that the ARBITRATED List would have been achieved. Given that it is considerably more favorable to the TWA pilots (and less favorable to the American pilots) than the DMODEL, Mr. Salamat's logic suggests that a list resembling the ARBITRATED List is less likely to be achieved than the "73%" probability of achieving DMODEL. 169

### H. Professor Farber Imposes an Unreasonable Structure on his Proposed But-For Seniority List

143. Professor Farber makes unsupported and counterfactual assumptions about (1) the size of the bottom staple; (2) the absence of a top staple and (3) the merge ratio. He says that, in order to implement his proportional mean difference metric to derive a merge ratio, he must assume either a bottom or top staple, but not both. However, he contradicted this at his deposition, where he claimed (1) that the size of the bottom staple was determined by his merge ratio and (2) that he could have assumed both a top and bottom staple. Professor Farber's assumed bottom staple of 350 pilots is arbitrary, and is inconsistent with Mr. Salamat's proposal to staple 464 TWA pilots and with the TWA MEC's October offer to staple 597 TWA pilots at the bottom of the merged seniority list. His assumption of no top staple is inconsistent with the history of negotiations, in which both sides accepted that the TWA pilots had no pre-transaction expectation of flying large wide-body planes, and with a negotiated outcome in which the only way in which American pilots with high seniority can avoid being harmed is by maintaining their seniority rank and having TWA pilots placed below them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>169</sup> Mr. Salamat's way of adjusting his damages estimates for the probability that the identified actions would achieve his list means that the damages associated with a particular list could decline the more favorable the list to the TWA pilots. If there is only a one percent probability of reaching the ARBITRATED list associated with each form of influence, then the methodology he applies to determine that ALPA is "liable for \$647,808,701 in unmitigated damages" would result in multiplying his ARBITRATED list damages by an aggregated 20 percent probability, resulting in "unmitigated damages" considerably smaller than those associated with his preferred model. In other words, to the extent that there is a lower probability of achieving more favorable lists, the damages associated with a list that is more favorable to the TWA pilots could be lower than damages associated with more favorable lists.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>170</sup> At his deposition, he contradicts himself and says that he could have assumed both. Farber Report ¶57. ("A seniority list with a proportional difference in mean ranks of -0.15 can be prepared with either a bottom staple of former TWA pilots or a top staple of American pilots and a ratio of the remaining pilots.") Farber Dep. 1/22/2013 at 97:14-16. ("Could you have had a top staple and a bottom staple? A: Absolutely.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>171</sup> Farber Dep. 1/22/2013 at 225:17-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>172</sup> Farber Dep. 1/22/2013 at 97:14-16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>173</sup> Salamat Original Report at 32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>174</sup> Position Statement of APA, at footnote 18, at ALPA 015311.

# I. Small and Necessary Changes to Professor Farber's Calculations Show that His Methodology Predicts Almost No Damages

- 144. There are two fundamental problems with Professor Farber's analysis and with Mr. Salamat's calculation of damages based on Professor Farber's proposed seniority list that easily can be corrected. First, Professor Farber does not include a top staple, even though he admitted that he could have done so. Second, he selected as "comparables" transactions in which the acquired airline was not in the same financial condition as TWA i.e., was not on the verge of liquidation.
- 145. There are three transactions on Professor Farber's list that he claims involved an acquired carrier that was no longer flying, or was flying only because it received financial help from the acquiring company: Continental's acquisition of Frontier; Republic's acquisition of Midwest; and Republic's acquisition of Lynx.<sup>175</sup> At the time that American agreed to acquire certain TWA assets, of the acquisition, TWA also was on the verge of ceasing operations and liquidating and was only able to fulfill its financial obligations to maintain day-to-day operations as a result of the DIP financing provided by American.<sup>176</sup> Applying Mr. Farber's criteria for selecting comparable transactions, based on Mr. Levine's and Mr. Feltman's assessment of TWA's financial condition, these three are the most "comparable" to the American/TWA merger as Professor Farber defines comparability.<sup>177</sup> The American/TWA transaction is within the range of these "comparables." The average and median proportional difference in mean ranks of the three "comparables" (based on Professor Farber's calculations of that metric for these transactions) are lower than the proportional difference in mean ranks under Supplement CC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>175</sup> "There are four mergers aside from American/TWA in Table 1 with proportional differences in mean rank of -0.60 or smaller (larger than 0.60 in absolute value): Republic/Lynx, Southwest/Airtran, Republic/Midwest and Continental/Frontier. Lynx and Midwest were so weak financially at the time of their acquisitions that each was only flying because of financial assistance from Republic. The experience of the former pilots of the first Frontier Airlines reflects the fact that, at the time it was acquired by Continental, Frontier was grounded and all of its pilots were on furlough" (Farber Report ¶¶51-52). As Professor Farber notes, "the seniority lists of Republic, Frontier, Midwest and Lynx were merged in a single arbitration." (Farber Report at Table 1 note (c).) However, as he analyzed separately the "proportional difference in mean rank" in seniority for each of the acquired airline's pilots, I have done the same in this correction of his analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>176</sup> Feltman Report at 33-34; Levine Report at 23-24.

According to Professor Farber, "I chose my group of comparable mergers by looking for transactions in which the acquired airline was in weakened financial condition, but still flying, and contributed substantial assets to the combined airline. To determine which transactions met these criteria I relied primarily on statements in arbitrators' reports" (Farber Report ¶56).

This indicates (according to Professor Farber's methodology) that Supplement CC was consistent with the result one would expect if ALPA had fulfilled its duty of fair representation.

- 146. Exhibit 18 shows the results from Professor Farber's methodology combined with Mr. Salamat's calculation of purported damages after correcting these errors. I use the average of these three comparables, correct Professor Farber's mistake in ignoring the top staple, assume that the merged seniority list would have the same top staple as Supplement CC, and then determine the combination of bottom staple and merge ratio that yields a proportional difference in mean ranks equal to the average of these three mergers (-0.634). If Supplement CC were modified according to this approach, I find that eight additional TWA pilots would have been merged with the American pilots, rather than stapled. Using Mr. Salamat's methodology for calculating damages, these changes in the overall seniority list result in \$2.8 million in purported damages. 178
- 147. For the reasons set forth above, it is my opinion that Supplement CC was consistent with the economics of bargaining which is consistent with the TWA pilots suffering no damages as a result of its implementation. Further, I have pointed out many flaws that render Professor Farber's and Mr. Salamat's methods unreliable for calculating damages in this case. Nevertheless, if one were to accept the approach that Mr. Salamat takes to calculating damages based on Professor Farber's hypothetical seniority list correcting only the two glaring errors described above then Professor Farber's analysis implies that Supplement CC negatively affected the TWA pilots by a total of \$2.8 million.

### VIII. IMPACT OF DATE LIMITATION ON MR. SALAMAT'S DAMAGE CALCULATIONS

148. My analysis shows that Supplement CC gave the TWA pilots a reasonable share of the benefits from integrating the American and TWA pilots. Thus, there is no support in the economics of bargaining and negotiation to suggest that the TWA pilots have been damaged.

Counsel for ALPA nonetheless has asked me to calculate damages implied by Mr. Salamat's methodology through April 2003, the date on which a new Collective Bargaining Agreement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>178</sup> For purposes of this exercise I have not corrected the errors in Mr. Salamat's calculations that I discussed in Section VI.

negotiated by the APA with American Airlines became effective. As shown in Exhibit 19, damages under the Mr. Salamat's DMODEL through April 2003 (correcting Mr. Salamat's pension and interest rate calculations) are \$30.3 million, or \$16.2 million if adjusted by a probability factor (corrected for his arithmetical error) that is based on Mr. Salamat's unfounded assumptions about the impact that certain ALPA actions would have had on the negotiated outcome.

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June 7, 2013

Exhibit 1 - Combined American and TWA Fleet as of December 31, 2001

	American	TWA	TWA Share
Large Wide-body	47	0	0.00%
Small Wide-body	239	36	13.09%
Narrow-body	452	133	22.74%
Total	738	169	

 $Sources: 2001-08-14\ KPMG\ Report\_001.pdf; \ Hefley\ Notes-4-18-01.pdf; \ Hefley\ Notes-8-20--30-01.pdf.$ 

Exhibit 2 American Manning Rates (Pilots per Plane)

	AMR
Large Wide-body	23.05
Small Wide-body	15.22
Narrow-body	12.07

Sources: Letter from White to Valtin, 8/20/2001 (ALPA030054); 2001-08-14 KPMG Report\_001.pdf; Hefley Notes - 4-18-01.pdf; Hefley Notes - 8-20--30-01.pdf; Salamat backup materials.

Note: Manning rates employ a weighted average based on aircraft type and number of planes. The manning rate calculation considers only working line pilots and thus CKA/SUPV are not included.

**Exhibit 3 - Estimated Jobs Brought by TWA to the Merged Firm** 

	American	TWA	Combined	TWA Share of Jobs
Large Wide-body	1083	0	1083	0.00%
Small Wide-body	3638	569	4207	13.52%
Narrow-body	5456	1500	6956	21.56%
Total	10234	2080	12314	_

Sources: Letter from White to Valtin, 8/20/2001 (ALPA030054); 2001-08-14 KPMG Report\_001.pdf; Hefley Notes - 4-18-01.pdf; Hefley Notes - 8-20--30-01.pdf; Salamat backup materials.

Comparison of American and TWA
Top of Schedule Captain Rates
As of 8/31/00

Company	Plane Type	# of Planes as of 2001	Captain TOS Rate
AMERIC <i>A</i>	$\Delta N^1$		
			12 YOS As of
			$8/31/00^2$
	Airbus A300-600R	34	\$201.64
	Boeing 727-200	33	\$182.72
	Boeing 737-800	77	\$186.52
	Boeing 757-200	117	\$195.64
	Boeing 767-200	8	\$198.11
	Boeing 767-200 Extended Range	21	\$199.67
	Boeing 767-300 Extended Range	49	\$201.64
	Fokker 100	74	\$168.74
	MD-80	259	\$181.58
		Weighted Average Rate:	\$186.48
			15 YOS as of
TWA		_	9/1/00
	Boeing 717-200	30	\$125.06
	Boeing 757-200	27	\$135.63
	Boeing 767-300 Extended Range	9	\$135.63
	MD-80	103	\$125.06
		Weighted Average Rate:	\$127.31

American TOS Rate / TWA TOS Rate: 146%

Notes: <sup>1</sup>Includes only American planes that are similar to TWA planes.

<sup>2</sup>Not adjusted for the difference in maximum hours under the CBAs at TWA and

American.

Sources: 10K Filings; Hiring FAPAaero EFA Rates.xlsx; D-137.pdf

#### Exhibit 5

### Comparison of American and TWA Top of Schedule Captain Rates As of 8/31/00

Rates Adjusted for Difference in Maximum Flying Hours at TWA and American

Company	Plane Type	# of Planes as of 2001	Captain TOS Rate
AMERICA	$\Lambda N^1$		
			12 YOS As of
			$8/31/00^2$
	Airbus A300-600R	34	\$176.36
	Boeing 727-200	33	\$159.81
	Boeing 737-800	77	\$163.14
	Boeing 757-200	117	\$171.11
	Boeing 767-200	8	\$173.27
	Boeing 767-200 Extended Range	21	\$174.64
	Boeing 767-300 Extended Range	49	\$176.36
	Fokker 100	74	\$147.59
	MD-80	259	\$158.82
		Weighted Average Rate:	\$163.10
TWA			15 YOS as of 9/1/00
	Boeing 717-200	30	\$125.06
	Boeing 757-200	27	\$135.63
	Boeing 767-300 Extended Range	9	\$135.63
	MD-80	103	\$125.06
		Weighted Average Rate:	\$127.31
	American TO	OS Rate / TWA TOS Rate:	128%

Notes: <sup>1</sup>Includes only American planes that are similar to TWA planes.

<sup>2</sup>Actual rates multiplied by 0.8746 to account for the difference in maximum hours

under the CBAs at TWA and American.

Sources: 10K Filings; Hiring FAPAaero EFA Rates.xlsx; D-137.pdf

Exhibit 6.A

### Comparable Captain Top of Schedule Rates Across Airlines in Late 2000

### **B737s**

Airline	As Of	TOS Year	Hourly Rate
AIRTRAN	04/01/01	9	122.84
TWA	09/01/00	15	125.06
AMERICA WEST	04/29/00	15	124.07
SOUTHWEST	09/01/00	12	137.67
ALASKA	05/01/01	12	156.05
CONTINENTAL	10/01/00	12	165.05
AMERICAN	08/31/00	12	175.31
DELTA	05/01/01	12	193.86
UNITED	05/01/01	12	199.41

#### Notes:

Source: Hiring FAPAaero EFA Rates.xlsx; D-137.pdf.

<sup>[1]</sup> American B737 rate is averaged over B737-200, B737-300 and B737-800

<sup>[2]</sup> Delta B737 rate is averaged over B737-200 DLX, B737-300, B737-300G, B737-700DLX and B737-NG

<sup>[3]</sup> United B737 rate is averaged over B737-200 and B737-300/500

<sup>[4]</sup> Continental B737 rate is weighted 3:6 Large Narrowbody to Small Narrowbody.

<sup>[5]</sup> AirTran B737 rate is weighted 3:6 Large Narrowbody to Small Narrowbody.

<sup>[6]</sup> TWA Rate for Captains at TOS for Narrowbody aircrafts (which includes B737), as of 9/1/2000, was used (ALPA 040201).

Exhibit 6.B

### Comparable Captain Top of Schedule Rates Across Airlines in Late 2000

B757s

Airline	As Of	TOS Year	Hourly Rate
ATA	09/23/99	12	114.82
AIRTRAN	04/01/01	9	133.05
AMERICA WEST	04/29/00	15	124.07
TWA	09/01/00	15	135.63
CONTINENTAL	10/01/00	12	176.91
NORTHWEST	09/13/00	12	193.70
AMERICAN	08/31/00	12	195.64
UNITED	05/01/01	12	232.11
DELTA	05/01/01	12	234.42

Source: Hiring FAPAaero EFA Rates.xlsx; D-137.pdf.

Exhibit 6.C

First Officer Year One through Year Four Schedule Rates

Compared to TWA TOS Rate in Late 2000

B737s

Airline	As Of	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 15
TWA TOS CAPTAIN	09/01/00					125.06
AIRTRAN	04/01/01	35.50	46.95	50.08	58.88	
AMERICA WEST	04/29/00	34.23	53.71	59.79	66.01	
SOUTHWEST	09/01/00	36.39	61.40	68.36	75.47	
ALASKA	05/01/01	32.52	72.39	88.15	93.17	
CONTINENTAL	10/01/00	N/A	62.19	73.21	82.93	
AMERICAN	08/31/00	33.92	60.00	67.02	100.52	
DELTA	05/01/01	50.00	94.09	110.30	113.19	
UNITED	05/01/01	47.63	75.38	109.42	116.18	

#### Notes:

Source: Hiring FAPAaero EFA Rates.xlsx; D-137.pdf.

<sup>[1]</sup> American B737 rate is averaged over B737-200, B737-300 and B737-800

<sup>[2]</sup> Delta B737 rate is averaged over B737-200 DLX, B737-300, B737-300G, B737-700DLX and B737-NG

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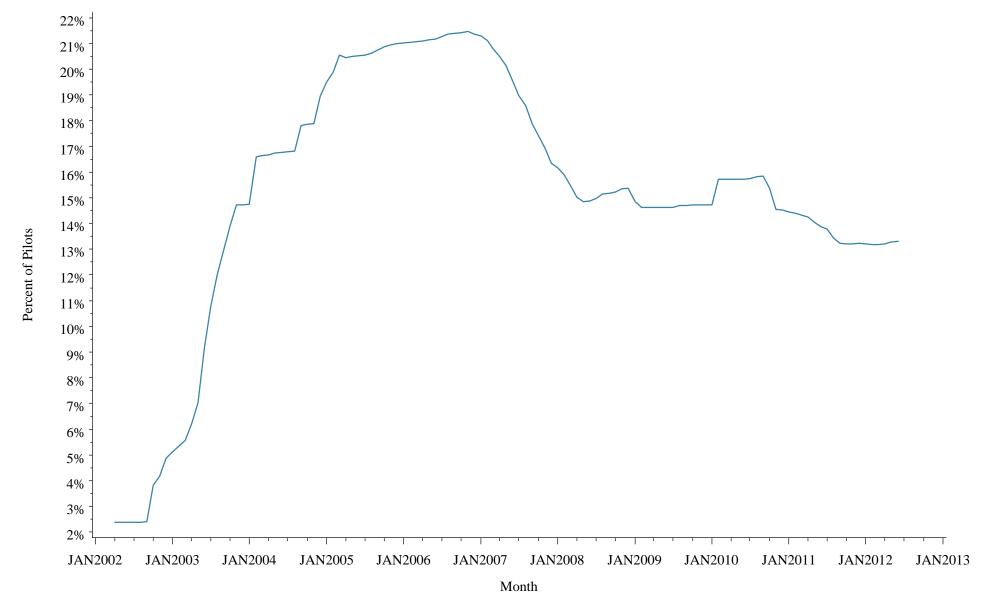
<sup>[4]</sup> Continental B737 rate is weighted 3:6 Large Narrowbody to Small Narrowbody.

<sup>[5]</sup> AirTran B737 rate is weighted 3:6 Large Narrowbody to Small Narrowbody.

<sup>[6]</sup> TWA Rate is for top of the schedule Captain, flying B737, whereas Year 1 through 4 rates are comprable FO rates at competing airlines.

<sup>[7]</sup> TWA Rate for Captains at TOS for Narrowbody aircrafts (which includes B737), as of 9/1/2000, was used (ALPA 040201).

**Exhibit 7 Furloughed Pilots as a Percentage of all Pilots at Combined Airline** 



Notes: Pilots with permstat = 'Deceased' or 'Retired' omitted.

Source: Salamat EMPHIST database.

**Exhibit 8.A - Sharing of Total Merger Gains** 

(1) Supplement CC Excluding TWA Pilots' Pay Gain

(2) Supplement CC Including TWA Pilots' Pay Gain

	Prospective Evaluation	<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>	<b>Prospective Evaluation</b>	<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>
American Gain	\$556,799,235	\$513,985,194	\$556,799,235	\$513,985,194
TWA Gain	\$507,253,709	\$297,276,828	\$824,923,629	\$375,336,991
AMR Share of Gains	52%	63%	40%	58%
TWA Share of Gains	48%	37%	60%	42%
American Gain per Pilot	\$48,216.08	\$44,508.59	\$48,216.08	\$44,508.59
TWA Gain per Pilot	\$217,053.36	\$127,204.46	\$352,984.01	\$160,606.33

Note: There are 11,548 American pilots and 2,337 TWA pilots on the original seniority list (11,548 excludes American pilots stapled to the bottom of the list after the last TWA pilot).

**Exhibit 8.B - Sharing of Total Merger Gains** 

(1) Dmodel Excluding TWA Pilots' Pay Gain

(2) Dmodel Including TWA Pilots' Pay Gain

	<b>Prospective Evaluation</b>	<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>	<b>Prospective Evaluation</b>	<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>
American Gain	-\$355,903,138	\$63,645,009	-\$355,903,138	\$63,645,009
TWA Gain	\$1,377,263,176	\$714,503,681	\$1,694,933,097	\$792,563,844
AMR Share of Gains	-35%	8%	-27%	7%
TWA Share of Gains	135%	92%	127%	93%
American Gain per Pilot	-\$30,819.46	\$5,511.34	-\$30,819.46	\$5,511.34
TWA Gain per Pilot	\$589,329.56	\$305,735.42	\$725,260.20	\$339,137.29

Note: There are 11,548 American pilots and 2,337 TWA pilots on the original seniority list (11,548 excludes American pilots stapled to the bottom of the list after the last TWA pilot).

**Exhibit 9.A - Sharing of Total Merger Gains Excluding TWA Pilots' Pay Gain (CORRECTED)** 

	<b>Prospective Evaluation</b>		<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>		
	Share of Gains to		Share of Gains to		
	American	Share of Gains to TWA	American	Share of Gains to TWA	
SuppCC	52%	48%	63%	37%	
Dmodel	-35%	135%	8%	92%	
ARBModel	-72%	172%	-15%	115%	
Farber1	-100%	200%	-32%	132%	
Farber2	-132%	232%	-49%	149%	
Farber3	-67%	167%	-13%	113%	
ioptimal	-119%	219%	-43%	143%	
SuppCC200	33%	67%	51%	49%	
Tannen	-152%	252%	-58%	158%	

Note: There are 11,548 American pilots and 2,337 TWA pilots on the original seniority list (11,548 excludes American pilots stapled to the bottom of the list after the last TWA pilot).

**Exhibit 9.B - Sharing of Total Merger Gains Including TWA Pilots' Pay Gain (CORRECTED)** 

	Prospective Evaluation		<b>Evaluation with Hindsight</b>		
	Share of Gains to American	Share of Gains to TWA	Share of Gains to American	Share of Gains to TWA	
SuppCC	40%	60%	58%	42%	
Dmodel	-27%	127%	7%	93%	
ARBModel	-54%	154%	-13%	113%	
Farber1	-75%	175%	-29%	129%	
Farber2	-98%	198%	-44%	144%	
Farber3	-50%	150%	-12%	112%	
ioptimal	-88%	188%	-38%	138%	
SuppCC200	25%	75%	47%	53%	
Tannen	-112%	212%	-52%	152%	

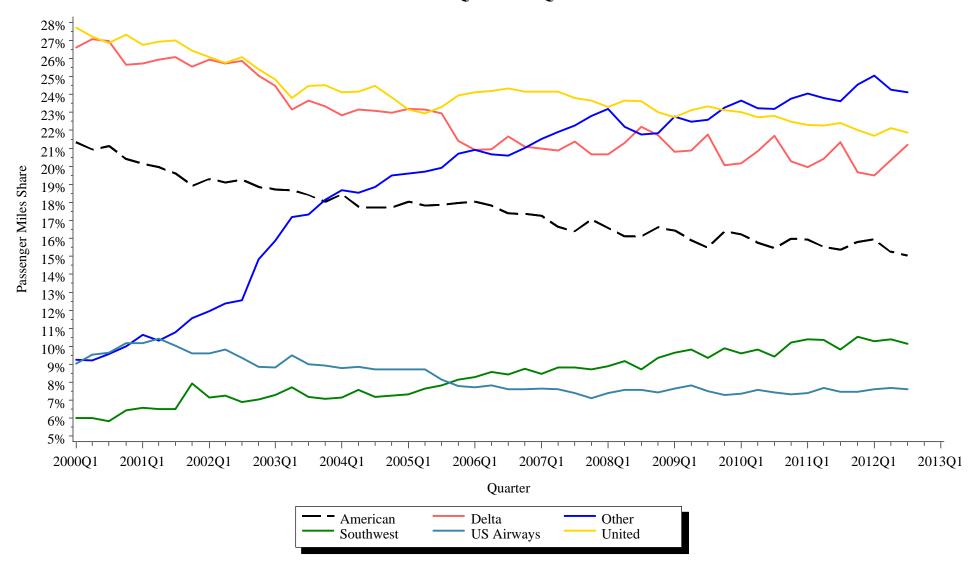
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Exhibit 10
Salamat Figure 3 - Corrected Cumulative Probability Calculation

A -45	Δ Importance	Δ Perception	Abandonment	Total	Cumulative Probability	
Action					Original	Revised
Insist on Waiving Scope		5%		5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Denied April 2001 Legal Strategy: Delay Purchase	3%	5%		8.0%	13.0%	12.6%
Denied July 2001 Legal Strategy: Sue American and APA	3%	5%	2%	10.0%	23.0%	21.3%
Denied October 2001 Legal Strategy: Injunction		5%		5.0%	28.0%	25.3%
Denied October 2001 Legal Strategy: Case, APA Injunction	3%		2%	5.0%	33.0%	29.0%
Refuse to request DOT make fair process condition of purchase	3%	5%	2%	10.0%	43.0%	36.1%
Refuse to request AFL-CIO support		5%		5.0%	48.0%	39.3%
Refuse to block APA pilots from ALPA jumpseats	3%	5%	2%	10.0%	58.0%	45.4%
Deny TWA pilots have right to strike		5%		5.0%	63.0%	48.1%
Failure to Support TWA Pilots	3%	5%	2%	10.0%	73.0%	53.3%

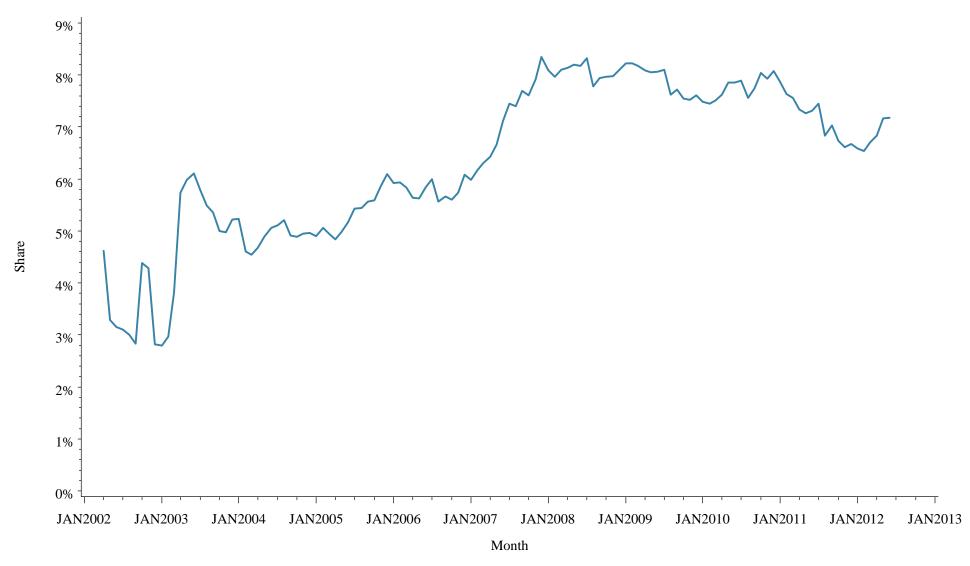
Source: Salamat Report - 2012-10-12.pdf

Exhibit 11 Share of All Passenger Miles for Major Airlines 2000Q1 - 2012Q3



Notes: Contains domestic and international market data reported by U.S. air carriers. American airlines includes American and TWA. Delta includes Delta and Northwest. United includes United and Continental. US Airways includes US Airways and America West. Source: T-100 Market Data, RITA.

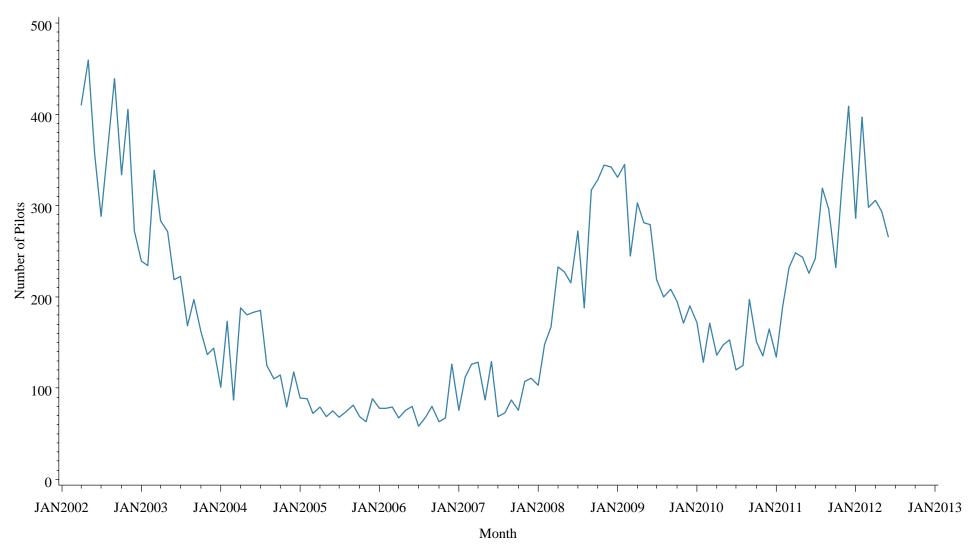
Exhibit 12
Share of Inactive Pilots as Share of All Pilots
American Airlines



Note: Pilots where permstat = 'Furlough', 'Deceased' or 'Retired' omitted. Share is number of all pilots with status='NACT' divided by the number of pilots with permstat not equal to 'Furlough', 'Deceased' or 'Retired'.

Sources: Salamat EMPHIST and PILOTDB databases.

Exhibit 13
Number of American FOs With Sufficient Seniority to be Captains
Regular Line Pilots Included



Notes: Only pilots with status = 'REG' included. Pilots with missing equipment type or position info, ssen=0, and no pcredit or credit omitted. FOs ranked above the lowest ranking [or highest ranking in number] captain, by month, company, and exact equipment type, are considered as choosing to remain FOs. EIDs 00680734 and 00645064 from pilotdb were considered to be TWA. Sources: Salamat EMPHIST and PILOTDB databases.

**EXHIBIT 14** 

# Distribution of Average Annualized Mitigation Received by Pilots Who Had Furlough Damages under Salamat's Damage Model

Average Annualized Mitigation [\$]	Number of Pilots		
0	7		
> 0 to 1,000	8		
>1,000 to 10,000	36		
>10,000 to 25,000	49		
>25,000 to 50,000	167		
>50,000 to 75,000	236		
>75,000 to 100,000	155		
> 100,0000	117		
Total Number of Pilots:	775		

Sources: INCOMEDIFF, PILOTDB, and EMPHIST databases from backup to October 12, 2012 Salamat Report. PQ\_DATACHECK, PQ\_MITIGATION, and AMRW2DATA databases from backup to April 30, 2013 Salamat Report.

Exhibit 15

Distribution of Damages Calculated by Mr. Salamat under his DMODEL after Mitigation

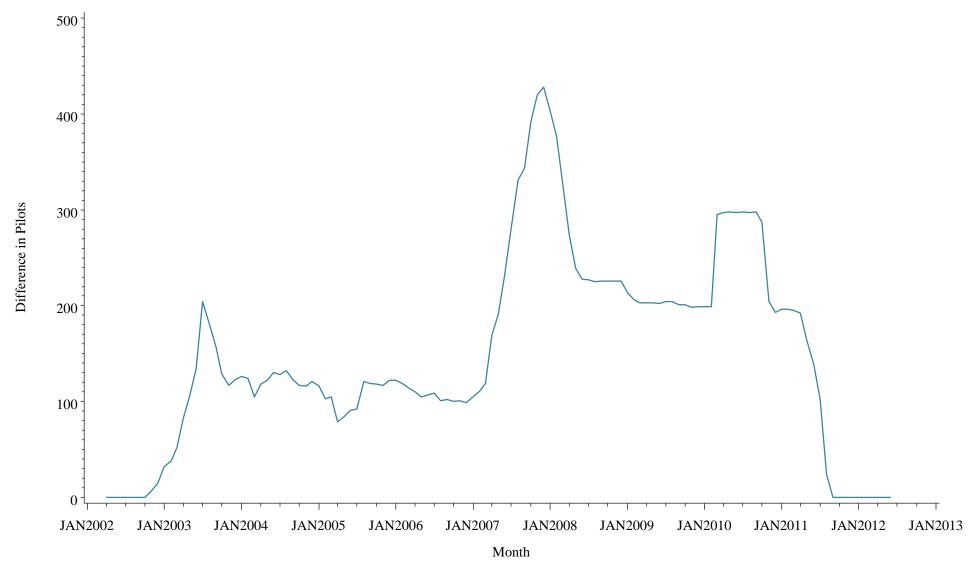
Damages Grouping [\$]	Salamat Damage Model
> 0 *	13
0	468
< 0 to < -100	5
-100  to < -1,000	36
-1,000  to < -10,000	99
-10,000  to < -50,000	125
-50,000 to < -100,000	80
-100,000 to < -400,000	650
-400,000 to < -700,000	538
-700,000 to < -1,000,000	132
-1,000,000 to < -1,300,000	20
<b>Total Number of Pilots:</b>	2,166

Notes: Includes only TWA pilots in the employee history database as of April, 2002. EID=00680734 omitted as incorrect AMR ID for Osterlund.

Sources: INCOMEDIFF, PILOTDB, and EMPHIST databases from backup to October 12, 2012 Salamat Report. PENSION and PQ\_MITIGATION databases from backup to April 30, 2013 Salamat Report.

<sup>\*</sup>The small number of pilots with positive damages reflects the non-monotonic rolling average that Salamat employed and acknowledges.

Exhibit 16
Difference in the Number of Pilots Assigned Income Under Mr. Salamat's DMODEL and the Number of Pilots Assigned Income Under SUPCC



Notes: SUPCC jobs are measured as unique EIDs with positive blincome. DMODEL jobs are measured as unique EIDs with positive modincome.

Source: Salamat INCOMEDIFF database.

Exhibit 17 - Comparison of Plaintiffs' Experts' Preferred Hypothetical Seniority Integrations with Supplement CC

	Supplement CC	Farber	Salamat DMODEL
Top Staple of			
American Pilots Only	2,596	0	2,494
Manaa	1,095 TWA pilots	1,887 TWA pilots	1,873 TWA pilots
Merge	at 8.1763:1 ratio	at 5.81:1 ratio	at 4.74:1 ratio
Bottom Staple of			
TWA Pilots Only	1,242	350	464

Sources: Expert Report of Henry S. Farber, October 12, 2012; Rikk M.T. Salamat, BA, MBA, Damages in Brady et al vs. The Air Line Pilots Association, October 12, 2012; APA's Mergers & Acquisitions Committee, Summary of Supplement CC, December 14, 2001.

Exhibit 18
Estimated Damages Using Farber's Seniority
List with Salamat's Methodology

	Farber Approach Using Corrected Comparable Transactions
Damages	
Employment April 2002 - June 2012	(814,278)
Furlough	(1,869,707)
Employment July 2012 - June 2026	(820,216)
Pension Plan A	(394,170)
Pension Plan B	(661,349)
<b>Total Damages</b>	(4,559,720)
Set-Off	
Furlough	1,259,797
Interest	278,177
Pension Plan A	175.001
Pension Plan B	175,991
Total Set-Off	1,713,965
<b>Total Set-Off Damages</b>	(2,845,755)

#### Notes:

Damages and set-off are calculated using Salamat's method for calculating damages.

The three comparable transactions are Continental/Frontier, Republic/Midwest, and Republic/Lynx. These comparables result in merging 8 more TWA pilots than under Supplement CC.

Exhibit 19

DMODEL Damages and Mitigation through April 2003

		Original	Through April 2003
Original Damages			
Employment Damages Interest		-109.8 -17.8	-18.1 -3.5
Furlough Damages Interest		-352.8 -59.7	-6.0 -1.1
Future - Employment Damages PV		-148.3 17.3	0.0 0.0
Pension Plan A Pension Plan B		-72.8 -143.4	-1.3 -3.2
Γotal Damages		-887.4	-33.1
Damage Probability	53%	-473.0	-17.7
Set-Off			
Furlough		207.6	2.1
Interest		31.1	0.4
Pension Plan A		0.0	0.0
Pension Plan B		55.6	0.3
Γotal Set-Off		294.3	2.8
Total Set-Off Damages		-593.1	-30.3
Damage Probability	53%	-316.1	-16.2

# Appendix A

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2008: John von Neumann Lecture Award, Rajk College, Corvinus University, Budapest

2007: Kenneth J. Arrow Award (with Robert H. Topel)

October 2005: Garfield Research Prize (with Robert H. Topel)

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1998: Elected to the American Academy of Arts & Sciences

1997: John Bates Clark Medalist

1993: Fellow of The Econometric Society

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1983 – 1984: Earhart Foundation Fellowship, University of Chicago

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Location	Current Text	Corrected Text
Paragraph 30	the merged carrier initially expanded by 169 planes and 2,080 pilot jobs	the merged carrier initially expanded by 169 planes and 2,069 pilot jobs
Footnote 8	(footnoting "DIRECTV – Murphy June Report at 31-32; ACA – Rogerson June Report at 19-20.38")	(footnoting "ACA – Rogerson June Report at 27-29; DIRECTV – Murphy June Report at ¶30")
Footnote 36	Summary of Supplement CC, at 18, 20 (ALPA 008763, 008765).	Summary of Supplement CC, at 20 (ALPA 008765).
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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

PATRICK BRADY, et al.,
Plaintiffs, )
-vs- ) Civil Action
AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION, ) No. 02-2917
INTERNATIONAL, )
Defendant. )

The deposition of KEVIN M. MURPHY, called as a witness herein for examination, taken pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure of the United States District Courts pertaining to the taking of depositions, taken before ROSANNE M. NUZZO, a Notary Public within and for the County of Will, State of Illinois, and a Certified Shorthand Reporter of said state, at the offices of Esquire Deposition Solutions, Suite 1200, 311 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois on Tuesday, July 23, 2013, at approximately 8:56 a.m.

1 (WHEREUPON, the witness was duly sworn.)

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THE COURT REPORTER: Thank you.

KEVIN M. MURPHY,

called as a witness herein, having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

EXAMINATION

### BY MR. JACOBSON:

- Q. Good morning, Professor Murphy.
- 10 A. Good morning.
- Q. Could you please state your full name for the record.
  - A. Kevin M. Murphy.
  - Q. And, Professor Murphy, where are you employed?
    - A. I'm employed at the University of Chicago.
  - Q. Are you employed anywhere else?
- 19 A. No. That's my only employment.
- Q. Do you have any other professional business relationships that are competitive in nature?
- A. Yes. I'm affiliated with CRA International, which is a consulting firm that

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does economic consulting.

- Q. Is CRA the company that was once called Cambridge Research Associates?
  - A. It's Charles Rivers.
  - O. Charles Rivers?
- A. Rivers Associates, yes.
  - Q. Charles Rivers Associates.

I'd like to ask you first some

background questions about your participation in this case and your report before we actually go into the meat of the report itself, okay?

How did you first get contacted about possibly serving as an expert in this case?

- A. I believe I was contacted by Paul Weiss regarding whether I would be available to serve as an expert in economics for this case.
- Q. All right. When was that, if you can recall?
- A. I don't remember. I think -- I think it would have been in 2012 sometime, if I recall -- if I recall correctly. I don't -- I don't really have a good recollection of the date.
  - Q. Was it at a time when there was

1 PRESENT: 2 3 GREEN JACOBSON, P.C. (7733 Forsyth Boulevard, Suite 700, 4 St. Louis (Clayton), Missouri 63105, 314-862-6800), by: 5 MR. JOE D. JACOBSON, jacobson@stlouislaw.com, and 6 MR. ALLEN P. PRESS, press@stlouislaw.com, 7 appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs; 8 9 PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON LLP, 10 (1285 Avenue of the Americas, 11 New York, New York 10019-6064, 212-373-3648), by: 12 MR. WILLIAM B. MICHAEL, wmichael@paulweiss.com, and MR. JAMES H. BOROD, 13 jborod@paulweiss.com, 14 appeared on behalf of the Defendants. 15 16 ALSO PRESENT: 17 18 MS. MARTA WAGNER, Senior Attorney, Air Line Pilots Association, Int'l.

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Page 81 Page 83 1 natural part of the business, so we tried to 1 make the correction for that. 2 respect that in terms of the way we did it. We 2 Q. All right. Do you have -- in your 3 tried not to create additional jobs when we moved list, do you have pilots set aside for reserves? 3 4 people in, so we didn't put people into those Did you make things for reserves and line holders 4 5 and that type of stuff? slots. 5 Q. Um-hum. How many -- how many 6 A. We tried to take account of the people 6 who were working but not assigned to an aircraft, 7 additional jobs did you say Mr. Salamat created? 7 A. It varied over time. We have a chart. both the check airmen and the supervisors, and we 8 8 It's -- it's -- it's towards the back here. It's do allow for those positions as well --9 9 Exhibit 16, I think. 10 10 Q. Okay. O. 16? A. -- in a proportional basis with the 11 11 12 A. Those are the additional jobs that he 12 actual people assigned to particular aircraft. Q. Okay. I wasn't clear in looking at it, 13 13 created. 14 MR. MICHAEL: I'm just noticing that Exhibit 1 14 so I wanted to make sure. is in black and white, and some of Mr. Murphy's 15 15 Based on your work as a whole that you've done on this case, do you believe that exhibits are in color. 16 16 17 If you need to see them in color at any ALPA's breach of its duty of fair representation 17 caused any injury to the TWA pilots either as a point, just let us know. We have color copies. 18 18 THE WITNESS: Okay. That would be more of a group or individually? 19 19 problem for some of the other charts, but this 20 20 MR. MICHAEL: Objection to the form -only has one line so I can --21 BY THE WITNESS: 21 MR. MICHAEL: Right. 22 22 A. I guess I would say --THE WITNESS: -- I can do without the color. 23 MR. MICHAEL: -- calls for legal conclusion. 23 24 24 Page 82 Page 84 1 1 BY THE WITNESS: BY THE WITNESS: 2 2 A. But, yeah, this is the actual number A. My understanding is that that was what over time. It's the number of people that he was found in the liability phase. It was that 3 3 slots into slots where people aren't working and there was an impact on at least some TWA pilots. 4 4 assigns them income. 5 5 I don't recall the precise wording. I think that's consistent with my analysis. I think --6 BY MR. JACOBSON: 6 7 so my analysis wouldn't contradict that. 7 Q. So to make sure I understand what 8 BY MR. JACOBSON: 8 you're saying, so let's say there's a group of pilots, American Airline pilots, and one of the 9 9 Q. All right. So you find that there was pilots in that group -- let's say it's a group of an impact on at least some of the TWA pilots? 10 10 five. And one of those pilots is on inactive 11 11 A. I know --12 status, whether he is on medical leave or he is 12 MR. MICHAEL: Objection, mischaracterizes his 13 out in the military service, whatever reason that 13 testimony. 14 14 BY THE WITNESS: is. 15 And when the TWA pilots are moved into 15 A. I don't think that's what I said. that group under Mr. Salamat's thing, although 16 I said --16 there are five pilots in that group, only four of BY MR. JACOBSON: 17 17 them working, but he has all five pilots working? 18 18 Q. Okay. 19 A. That's correct. 19 A. (Continuing) -- mine is consistent with 20 Q. All right. Did you check to see 20 that. Mine -- you know, I don't think you could whether at the tail end of the list, that there say my results would disprove that that occurred. 21 21 22 are people who weren't working now who would have 22 I think, you know, you would say that been working otherwise? based on my results, that Supplement CC is within 23 23 A. My understanding is that he did not 24 the range of things you might expect to come out 24

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- Q. When you say "in the neighborhood," how big is the neighborhood you are referring to?
- A. I don't know. I don't think there are bright lines. I think you definitely can't support things of the type put forward by Mr. Salamat in his DMODEL or the Farber model or many of the other models that Professor -- that Mr. Salamat puts forward.
  - Q. What about the Salamat Plus 200 Model?
- A. I would say -- I don't think there's any evidence that that's more consistent than Supplement CC. If anything, you might think it's a little less consistent.

I think you could say plus 200/minus 200 would be in the range of -- of what you might expect to see, so I don't -- I would say there's no evidence to say that's a better model than Supplement CC in the sense of what we would expect

You know, I think, first and foremost, probably the most fundamental violation of principle that I saw here was that you have got to look at both parties if you want to think about outcomes of the negotiation or outcomes of the bargaining. And, you know, both Mr. Salamat and Professor Farber didn't really address how the proposed list would affect the American pilots, which I don't see is at all consistent with any notion of bargaining because bargaining inherently has both parties involved.

I think the importance of -- call them fallback options, call them in this context pre-transaction expectations, that's an important guide as to where you think outcomes are going to end up. And that's part of what you get out of bargaining theory, but it's even more importantly part of the reality of the negotiating process in this particular case and, in my understanding, the seniority options weren't -- and seniority integrations more generally. So those would be the kev.

Q. Are there any other economic principles of bargaining that --

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to see. And I think that's what I can say.

I think the ones we can strongly rule out are the DMODEL and Professor Farber's model and models like that. I think that -- I don't think there's any evidence that would say the DMODEL -- the Plus 200 Model is more consistent than Supplement CC was. I think, you know, whether he said it was plus 50, minus 50, I don't think we have that degree of precision.

Q. You refer a lot in your report to what you call the economics principles of bargaining -or the economic principles of bargaining. Now, what are those principles?

A. I think in general that, you know, people are going to look for -- take advantage of mutual gains; that, you know, in order to take advantage of mutual gains, you're going to want to allow each party to do better than their next best alternative. That's what's going to encourage people to participate. I think that where within the range of outcomes that benefit both parties you end up is going to depend on the bargaining process and the bargaining strength of the two parties.

A. I'm sure --

Q. -- that you can think of right now?

A. I'm sure there are. I just -- those are the main ones, I mean.

Q. All right. If another one comes to mind while we're talking with you, let me know because, obviously, this is key to your report, in my view, that the candidate list must be consistent with the economic principles of bargaining, as you put it in paragraph 12 and many other places.

A. Okay.

Q. Thank you.

So the first one is to take advantage of mutual gains. And you've talked, if I understand correctly, that a large part of the mutual gains come out of what you refer to as round 1, so getting the TWA pilots to agree to waive their scope and, therefore, allow the transaction to go forward. Is that accurate?

A. Yeah, but it also is critical that it sets up a consistent set of negotiations in round 2. That is, you don't want to have a system that at round 2 would allow outcomes to come out

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A. I think partly because of that whole process that we talked about of how we got to this point. I mean, the -- some of those gains were associated with gains that the TWA pilots got from having the continued employment and -- and, you know, if you're using the 60 percent, includes the pay increase figure.

Also, I think there was -- there was a negotiation process there. I mean, the APA did have the right to impose a list, but that's -that doesn't mean that that's going to be the necessary outcome. They still had people that they were going to work with in the future, that they still were dealing with -- I don't know, American Airlines was in the background there. They had to approve the list, all them.

It wasn't necessarily in their independent interest to impose the most severe list they could. They were going to have to -you know, I think we talked about it in here. I have a discussion about some of the factors.

I think it meant they had the upper hand.

MR. JACOBSON: I think I've asked all the questions I want to ask.

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Bill, I am going to need the output files.

MR. MICHAEL: Okay. I don't think -- I mean, you have had his report and the backup for over, what, six weeks now. I don't think we have gotten a request for that.

MR. JACOBSON: No, you didn't get a request. MR. MICHAEL: If you want to make a request for it, that's fine. We'll take it under advisement. We'll see -- go back to what was produced and see, you know, if there is anything else. I think we made a full production of the backup. But I understand what you're looking for or what you think you're missing.

I have just a couple of questions for Professor Murphy.

**EXAMINATION** 

BY MR. MICHAEL:

Q. Professor Murphy, Mr. Jacobson asked

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I just want to make sure I mention them all.

The -- you know, I think -- I don't see it right now but, you know, I think it mostly has to do with those kinds of things. They were going to be their future colleagues. This was, you know, a -- this wasn't their last rodeo in which they were going to deal with people.

I think they had an interest in taking account of both parties' career expectations coming in. I think that's what they said from the very beginning. I think that fit into it as well. I think that was all part of the bargaining process. So I think that -- I think that is part of it.

And so, you know, part of that bargaining dynamic is the fact that -- that, you know, the distribution in the gains does matter. And I don't think it was in their interests to grab every last penny off the table they could for dealing with people they're going to deal with in the future. They had to continue to deal with American Airlines.

But that meant they had the upper hand. It doesn't mean it was, you know, carte blanche. you some questions about Supplement CC plus 200 earlier in the deposition. Do you remember that?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. And that's one of the alternative lists that Mr. Salamat put forward?

A. Yes, it is.

Q. Do you have any opinion beyond what you've discussed today about the way in which Mr. Salamat constructed that Supplement CC plus 200 list?

A. Well, I think, as I tried to say before, I mean, he doesn't really have a basis for considering Supplement CC plus 200 versus plus 50, plus 100, minus 50. I mean, he doesn't really have a basis for why 200 was a number.

As I said earlier, if you look at my analysis, it's not like 200 is -- plus 200 is more consistent with the bargaining theory than is Supplement CC itself. If anything, you might say it's less consistent. So I don't really see an economic basis for Supplement CC plus 200 over Supplement CC.

MR. MICHAEL: That's all I have.

MR. JACOBSON: You have the right to read the transcript since you're an expert, and you probably want to exercise that right. Just let

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weren't objected to. I find the whole testimony is full of conjecture, the part about trophies. Who in American said that? Was it done, I think, a person said, although I have no way of knowing, an equal inference is that it was a joke, and what they were really doing is mocking TWA's inflated sense of its own self worth. And they were using it mockingly.

Did one person use it? Did everybody use it? I can't tell if she heard it directly from American people or whether she heard it from other people who told her that is what they were doing. It has nothing to do with her testimony, but she keeps throwing that in very cleverly.

This was not, I don't know there, why, you if you want to have her testimony come by tape. It should have been done by a proper de bene esse, where you question him, they, you do direct, they come in and cross. This was purportedly a discovery deposition but it was an odd one because she is clearly sympathetic to the pilots, to the union. She is a union officer. She was head of her union. Her testimony is totally sympathetic. It seems to me, I mean her unavailability, she may technically be unavailable because she is outside the subpoena scope, under 100 miles for subpoenas.

But it is pretty clear that the decision not to bring her to court is a tactical one, not one that she is a

unwilling to testify. I mean this thing cries for cross 1 2 examination. You can't cross examine her obviously if she is not here. 3 Also, the question of whether TWA could have 4 5 survived the stand alone entity at that point clearly 6 requires expert testimony. You know, from an accountant, 7 somebody, who viewed all, had expertise in that area, and in the airline industry particularly, reviewed all the finances. 8 9 Here she says we were going to get so many millions of 10 dollars from the union in concessions. First of all, 11 although they were negotiating to some degree, everything 12 would have had to have gone to the membership. And it didn't 13 go, nothing to my knowledge, went to the membership. 14 MR. KATZ: They were still negotiating on it. 15 THE COURT: What? 16 MR. KATZ: They were still negotiating on that. 17 THE COURT: Doesn't make any difference. Even if 18 they reached it, they had to go to the union, she said that, 19 it had to go to the union for ratification. Then we talk 20 about there had to be investment bankers coming in. Telling 21 me that George Soros showed interest in it, or that G E 22 Capital or other people interest. Yeah, so did Carl Icahn. 23 And who knows what kind of interest, what terms, what 24 conditions, they would have had. I mean it is speculation as to whether, what they would have put in or not. 25

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The bottom line is, I don't want to sit here and
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     argue for the next two hours over it. I am not going to eat
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    will have a hearing. I will give everybody a chance. I
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               MR. PRESS: Judge. Miss Rodriguez had the contact
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    with Ms. Cooper. I think if she was here.
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               MS. RODRIGUEZ: I am here.
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               MR. PRESS: Can you address the unavailability
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     issue?
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               THE COURT: You have one minute. I am going to
     deal with that this afternoon.
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               MS. RODRIGUEZ: I just know that she was.
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               THE COURT: She is a friend.
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               MR. PRESS: No, she is not.
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               MS. RODRIGUEZ: She was not particularly, there are
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    reasons that she is not particularly --
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               THE COURT: You think this testimony is not
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     friendly testimony.
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              MS. RODRIGUEZ: She is not a friend of the pilots,
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your Honor. There shall issues -- she certainly is an advocate for our position. There are issues that --

THE COURT: You better believe she is an advocate for your position.

MS. RODRIGUEZ: There are issues that make her not available for us to bring her into court that are not tactical issues to bar her from coming in to court and not being subjected to cross examine.

THE COURT: Why wasn't it done as a de bene esse.

We do that all the time in this Court. We have doctors that don't want to show up because just because they are doctors.

We take a de bene esse. Direct is on port.

MR. JACOBSON: Your Honor, she was cross examined at the deposition. Federal Rules only provide for one type of deposition. She was deposed. They cross examined.

THE COURT: You make a valid point. I actually submitted a proposal to the rules committee to distinguish twin de bene esse depositions and discovery depositions, they are different animals, have different considerations. I wrote a whole long report which was taken up by the poobahs, but since most of them don't know anything about trying cases, they turned it /OUPB down.

But I don't want to eat into the jury's time with argument. A six-week trial, she can go on the next day or the day after if I allow it.

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2	MEANING TWA. AND AS PART OF THAT, INSTEAD OF THE 02:19:52	2	A. THAT WAS AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN TWA AND CARL 02:22:23
3	EMPLOYEES NOW MAKING TAKING WAGE CUTS, IT WAS 02:19:55	3	ICAHN, KARABU IS A COMPANY AFFILIATED OR OWNED BY CARL 02:22:35
4	BASICALLY THE EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTING TO IMPROVED 02:19:59	4	ICAHN. AND I BELIEVE IT WAS AROUND THAT 1995 TIME 02:22:44
5	PRODUCTIVITY ENDEAVORS AND GETTING AIRCRAFT LESSORS TO 02:20:03	5	FRAME ICAHN WAS ABLE TO NEGOTIATE AGAINST OR 02:22:50
6	REDUCE RENTS ON SPECIFIC AIRCRAFT. 02:20:08	6	WITH HOWEVER YOU WANT TO TERM THAT TWA TO GET A 02:22:58
7	SO THE PREPACKAGED BANKRUPTCY REALLY THE 02:20:14	7	TICKET PROGRAM THAT ALLOWED HIM TO PURCHASE 02:23:03
8	BANKRUPTCY ITSELF ONLY TOOK PLACE, I BELIEVE, IN 02:20:17	8	TICKETS TWA TICKETS AT A 45 PERCENT DISCOUNT FROM 02:23:08
9	30 DAYS OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. THE PROCESS WENT VERY 02:20:21	9	THE LOWEST PUBLISHED FARE. 02:23:16
10	QUICKLY. 02:20:25	10	Q. AND WHAT DID HE DO WITH THOSE TICKETS THAT HE 02:23:26
11	Q. WHEN YOU SAY THAT THE "EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTED 02:20:26	11	PURCHASED? 02:23:28
12	TO IMPROVED PRODUCTIVITY MEASURES," WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY 02:20:28	3 12	A. WHAT HE WOULD DO IS, HE WOULD HE DEVELOPED 02:23:31
13	THAT? 02:20:31	13	A COMPANY CALLED "LOWESTFARE.COM." AND HE WOULD PUT 02:23:36
14	A. WELL, THERE WERE A VARIETY OF CHANGES MADE. 02:20:31	14	THOSE PUT TWA TICKETS UP FOR SALE ON LOWESTFARE.COM. 02:23:42
15	I DON'T REMEMBER THE SPECIFICS. BUT PEOPLE MAY HAVE 02:20:39	15	SO LET'S SAY THAT FOR AN EXAMPLE, TWA WAS EVERYBODY 02:23:47
16	REDUCED VACATION TIME, MAY HAVE REDUCED SICK TIME. I 02:20:42	16	IN THE INDUSTRY JUST FLY A PACIFIC TRIP FROM A TO B, 02:23:51
17	DON'T REMEMBER EXACTLY WHAT THEY WERE, BUT THEY WERE 02:20:48	17	THE TICKET WAS GOING TO BE \$100. LET'S SAY EVERY 02:23:55
18	INITIATIVES TO IMPROVE THE PRODUCTIVITY OF THE 02:20:50	18	AIRLINE. AND USUALLY THE AIRLINES MATCH FARES. SO 02:23:59
19	WORKFORCE. 02:20:53	19	EVERYBODY IS CHARGING \$100 FOR THAT TICKET FROM A TO B. 02:24:01
20	Q. WAS THAT ANOTHER FORM OF CONCESSION GIVEN BY 02:20:54	20	THE PROBLEM THAT TWA HAD WITH THE KARABU 02:24:06
21	THE TWA EMPLOYEES? 02:20:56	21	AGREEMENT IS: CARL ICAHN GETS TO BUY THAT TWA FOR \$55. 02:24:09
22	A. IT WAS. BUT THE PRIMARY CONCESSION IN THAT 02:20:57	22	AND THEN HE SELLS IT TO SOMEBODY IN THE PUBLIC FOR 02:24:15
23	FIRST BANKRUPTCY EXCUSE ME, THE SECOND 02:21:00	23	SOMEPLACE IN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 55 AND \$100. THE 02:24:18
24	BANKRUPTCY COMING OUT OF THE FIRST BANKRUPTCY, I 02:21:04	24	PROBLEM IS: ALL YOUR COMPETITORS ARE GETTING \$100, AND 02:24:22
25	INDICATED TO YOU THE 15 PERCENT PAY CUT FOR VIRTUALLY 02:21:07	25	YOU'RE GETTING \$55. SO IT'S MATHEMATICALLY IMPOSSIBLE 02:24:25
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2	Q. WHO PERFORMED THOSE ANALYSES? 02:25:49	2	THAT YEAR TO TRY TO ADDRESS THE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES 02:29:04
3	A. PRIMARILY PRIMARILY, I BELIEVE, IT WAS 02:25:52	3	THAT TWA WAS FACING? 02:29:07
4	JACK STELZER WHO WAS OUR SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT OF 02:25:57	4	A. WE TRIED TO DO A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS. 02:29:08
5	PLANNING AND REVENUE MANAGEMENT. NOW, MIKE PALUMBO WHO 02:26:0	<b>2</b> 5	TWA EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATED IN LARGE DEGREE. AND I 02:29:12
6	WAS THE CFO MAY HAVE HAD A PLACE IN THAT AS WELL. 02:26:05	6	WOULD SAY YOU YOU KNOW, YOU SAID IN 2000, BUT 02:29:16
7	Q. DO YOU RECALL WHAT THE IMPACT ON REVENUE WAS? 02:26:11	7	ACTUALLY THE TWA EMPLOYEES MADE HUGE EFFORTS IN A LOT 02:29:18
8	A. SPECIFICALLY TO GIVE YOU A DOLLAR AMOUNT? I 02:26:14	8	OF DIFFERENT AREAS IN 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000. BUT, 02:29:24
9	DON'T KNOW. I JUST KNOW IT WAS A BIG NUMBER. 02:26:16	9	UNFORTUNATELY, THAT WASN'T ENOUGH TO MAKE IT WORK. 02:29:35
10	Q. ORDER OF MAGNITUDE? 02:26:18	10	YOU ASKED ABOUT 2000. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT 02:29:38
11	A. I WOULD HATE TO GUESS AT THIS POINT; IT'S 02:26:22	11	TWA DID WAS WE TRIED TO DIVERSIFY OUT OF THAT ONE-HUB 02:29:40
12	13 YEARS LATER. 02:26:24	12	SYSTEM THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT EARLIER AND TRYING 02:29:44
13	Q. YOU SAID THAT TWA'S THIRD BANKRUPTCY FILING 02:26:35	13	TO DEVELOP WHAT WE CALLED "MINI HUBS." AND WE DID 02:29:47
14	WAS IN JANUARY OF 2001; IS THAT RIGHT? 02:26:37	14	ACTUALLY OPEN ONE IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO. WE OPENED 02:29:51
15	A. YES. 02:26:43	15	ONE IN LOS ANGELES. AND THE PLAN WAS TO OPEN ONE A 02:29:57
16	Q. AND AS CEO DID YOU HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF 02:26:45	16	YEAR TO TRY TO DIVERSIFY OUT OF THAT ONE-HUB ISSUE. 02:30:00
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18	BANKRUPTCY FILING? 02:26:51	18	OLDEST FLEETS IN THE INDUSTRY. WE WERE ABLE TO 02:30:09
19	A. I DID. 02:26:52	19	NEGOTIATE LEASES FOR NEW AIRCRAFT FROM BOEING AND 02:30:14
20	Q. HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE IT? 02:26:53	20	AIRBUS; ALTHOUGH, WE NEVER TOOK DELIVERY OF THE AIRBUS 02:30:20
21	A. IT WAS WORSE THAN NOT GOOD. IT WAS BAD. TWA 02:26:59	21	AIRPLANES BUT FROM BOEING. SO WE WERE ABLE TO 02:30:23
22	WAS TWA WAS GOING TO LIQUIDATE WITHIN DAYS WITHOUT A 02:27:04	22	MODERNIZE THE FLEET, WHICH REDUCED MAINTENANCE 02:30:28
23	DEAL. 02:27:12	23	EXPENSES, WHICH REDUCED FUEL EXPENSES, WHICH MADE A 02:30:30
24	Q. AND WHAT IS THE BASIS FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING 02:27:15	24	BETTER PRODUCT FOR THE CUSTOMER, ET CETERA. 02:30:36
25	THAT TWA WAS GOING TO LIQUIDATE WITHIN DAYS WITHOUT A 02:27:19	25	ONE OF THE PROBLEMS, THOUGH, THAT TWA HAD WAS 02:30:39
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1	DEAL? 02:27:23	1	BECAUSE OF THE WEAK FINANCIAL CONDITION, WE COULDN'T 02:30:41
2	A. A MAJOR ISSUE WAS THAT WE HAD AN ACCOUNTS 02:27:24	2	BUY THESE AIRPLANES BECAUSE WE HAD NO MONEY. SO TWA 02:30:41
3	RECEIVABLE FUNDING COMING DUE THAT I BELIEVE I COULD 02:27:26		LEASED THESE AIRCRAFT. AND BECAUSE OF TWA'S FINANCIAL 02:30:48
4	BE OFF BY A WEEK BUT I BELIEVE IT WAS DUE ON 02:27:32	4	STANDING, WE HAD TO PAY A LOT MORE FOR OUR AIRCRAFT 02:30:53
5	JANUARY 10, 2001, AND THAT WAS A \$100 MILLION BILL THAT 02:27:35	5	THAN COMPETITORS DID. 02:30:57
6	WE OWED. 02:27:41	6	TWA, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH AN MD80 YOU MIGHT 02:30:58
7	AND IN EARLY JANUARY TWA'S TOTAL CASH, TOTAL 02:27:45	7	SPEND \$250,000 A MONTH LEASING AN MD80 WHERE YOUR 02:31:02
8	AVAILABLE CASH WAS \$20 MILLION. AND TO PUT THAT IN 02:27:49	8	COMPETITOR IS LEASING AN MD80 FOR 100,000 OR \$125,000 A 02:31:08
9	PERSPECTIVE, TWA WAS A COMPANY THAT ON AVERAGE HAD 02:27:5		MONTH. SO ALTHOUGH YOU'RE GETTING THE BENEFITS FOR THE 02:31:13
10	EXPENDITURES OF \$10 MILLION A DAY. AND SOME DAYS IT 02:28:02	10	CUSTOMER AND FOR MAINTENANCE AND FOR FUEL, YOU'RE 02:31:16
11	WAS OF COURSE, THAT'S AN AVERAGE I MEAN, SO SOME 02:28:09	11	GETTING HIT ON THE COST SIDE. 02:31:18
12	DAYS IT COULD BE 30 MILLION IN A DAY AND THE NEXT DAY 02:28:11	12	SO THOSE WERE A FEW THINGS THAT WERE DONE IN 02:31:20
13	IT COULD BE 1 MILLION. BUT ON AVERAGE IT WAS A COMPANY 02:28:14	13	2000. WE WERE ALSO ABLE I DON'T KNOW IF WE DID IT 02:31:23
14	THAT SPENT \$10 MILLION A DAY IN EXPENSES. 02:28:17	14	IN 2000 OR '99, BUT WE HAD A NEW CONTRACT WITH ALPA 02:31:27
15	SO TWA HAD APPROXIMATELY \$20 MILLION IN CASH. 02:28:20	15	THAT WAS BENEFICIAL TO THE PILOTS AND BENEFICIAL TO THE 02:31:34
16	WE OWED \$100 MILLION, AND WE HAD NEGATIVE CASH FLOW. 02:28:24		COMPANY AS WELL. 02:31:37
17	SO IT WAS NOT A GOOD SITUATION. 02:28:29	17	WE HAD A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH THE IAM 02:31:39
18	Q. I WANT TO TAKE YOU BACK TO THE BEGINNING OF 02:28:37	18	ALSO, BUT THAT WASN'T AS BENEFICIAL AS THE CONTRACT 02:31:43
19	2000, SO A YEAR PRIOR TO THE THIRD BANKRUPTCY FILING. 02:28:42	19	THAT WE RECEIVED WITH ALPA. 02:31:48
20	AT THAT POINT WAS TWA OPERATING AT A PROFIT OR A LOSS? 02:28:44	20	Q. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU MENTIONED YOU 02:31:53
21	A. NO. AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, TWA HADN'T 02:28:48	21	TRIED TO DO WAS TO DEVELOP THESE MINI HUBS. WAS THAT 02:31:55
22	EARNED A PROFIT IN THE PREVIOUS 12 YEARS. 02:28:50	22	SUCCESSFUL? 02:31:59
23	Q. ALL RIGHT. AND WHAT WAS YOUR VIEW OF THE 02:28:53	23	A. RELATIVELY SUCCESSFUL. I MEAN, HE HAD JUST 02:32:00
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Page 109 Page 111 1 time that you were aware of that would have 1 contractural details, but those were the bright 2 light items that were of vital import and in 2 preserved TWA's flying franchise, as you put 3 need of agreement. 3 it? Q In the context of those discussions 4 4 A Not in the -- not to the level that around the end of 2000, beginning of 2001, did 5 5 American was talking about and not to any level you have any understanding as to whether 6 6 that I was aware of. 7 American was proposing to hire any TWA pilots? 7 MR. MICHAEL: I think we need to take A One of the attractive things from our 8 a break to change the videotape. 8 standpoint as a fiduciary matter was that they 9 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This marks the end 9 were proposing to hire essentially all of TWA's 10 10 of Tape 2. The time is 4:18 p.m. on operating employees, which would have included January 21, 2013. We are now off the 11 11 12 the pilots, the mechanics, the flight 12 record. attendants. Their plan was to acquire 13 13 (Recess taken.) materially all of the operating personnel. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is Tape 3 in 14 14 15 Q What, if any, reaction do you recall 15 the deposition of Michael Palumbo. Time having when American came forward with this 16 is 4:28 p.m. on January 21, 2013. We are 16 now back on the record. You may proceed. 17 plan that would have included hiring all of the 17 Q Mr. Palumbo, at the time of TWA's 18 TWA pilots? 18 19 third bankruptcy filing, did you have any 19 A We were very encouraged and were very 20 pleasantly, in some ways, surprised that they 20 expectation as to what would happen to TWA if saw a strategic value in preserving the flying 21 the transaction with American that we've been 21 franchise, and against the alternatives that discussing did not go through? 22 22 23 the TWA management saw at the time, it was a 23 A I wasn't aware of any solution that not perfect solution, you know, from a overall 24 would have led to anything other than a likely 24 creditor standpoint, but it was a -- it was by 25 liquidation of the airline. 25 Page 110 Page 112 1 far the best alternative for all of the major 1 Q What was that understanding based on? 2 2 constituents attached to the TWA franchise. A Based on the to date indications of 3 3 strategic interests by any other party other O You say it was the best alternative. What were the other alternatives to TWA? than American Airlines, based on our liquidity 4 4 5 A There were none, you're quite right. 5 position and potential for enhancement to that I say that -- even if there were, 6 liquidity position, and the uncertainties of 6 American would have -- the American transaction 7 both the winter and, you know, the resolution 7 8 would likely have been very attractive for a 8 of the accounts receivable securitization. number of reasons, but there -- as a practical 9 Q Did that understanding change at any 9 10 matter, there were no alternatives. 10 time prior to the closing of the American 11 Q So to your knowledge, was there any transaction? 11 other airline than American at that time that 12 12 A No was willing to come forward with a proposal Q You're familiar with the term "debtor 13 13 14 that would hire all of the TWA pilots? in possession financing"? 14 15 A No, and as further evidence of that, A I am. 15 16 no one came forward in the auction process to 16 Q I believe you referred to it earlier 17 make a proposal. 17 as debt --I mean, I think we suspected there 18 18 A Yes. 19 would be no one, there certainly was no one 19 Q Is it okay with you that that's how before the auction process commenced, and as an we refer to it here? 20 20 actual matter, as an actual fact, there was no 21 21 A Of course. 22 one in terms of a strategic solution partner 22 Q Can you explain what DIP financing that showed themselves as available by virtue is? 23 23 24 of the auction process. 24 A It's a very high priority in terms of

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Q Was there any other airline at that

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